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CO-OWNER OF MAHADEV APP UNDER HOUSE DETENTION IN DUBAI

Sourabh Chandrakar, one of the promoters of the scam-tainted Mahadev online betting app, has been put under house detention in Dubai. Indian probe agencies have been alerted about Chandrakar's detention and they are working through diplomatic channels to get him and another promoter Ravi Uppal deported. Uppal, was detained in Dubai last week. The ED had alleged that the app's promoters paid about ₹508 crore to the then Chhattisgarh CM Bhupesh Baghel

RAHUL YATRA 2.0 FROM JANUARY 14

Travel from Manipur to Mumbai largely by bus with short stretches of walking in between

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

HOPING to rejuvenate the Congress in the Hindi heartland states where the party faced a humiliating defeat in the recent polls, senior leader Rahul Gandhi will launch the second edition of his Bharat Jodo Yatra from January 14 to March 20. Called the Bharat Nyay Yatra, it will begin in Manipur and culminate in Mumbai.

The two-month long yatra will be flagged off by Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge from Imphal. The East to West yatra will be mostly by bus with short stretches of walking, and will cover 6,200 km across 14 states.

Announcing the schedule on Wednesday, Congress general secretary in-charge of organisation KC Venugopal said the yatra aims to secure economic, social and political justice for the people. "The name reflects the objective of the yatra. Everyone should get justice. This yatra will interact with youth, women and the marginalised in the country," he said.

In the first edition that was

launched on September 7 last year, Rahul walked over 4,500 km from Kanyakumari to Kashmir covering 12 states and two Union Territories (UTs). The walkathon concluded on January 30 in Srinagar.

Venugopal said that the Congress Working Committee on December 21 unanimously decided that Rahul should commence the second edition of the yatra from East to West.

On choosing Manipur as the starting point of the yatra, Venugopal said, "Without Manipur how can we do a yatra? We want to heal the wounds of Manipur. This yatra is for love and affection." While analysts view the yatra as another image building exercise of Rahul ahead of elections, Venugopal refused to attach any political overtones to it. "It will not be a political yatra. The party wants to raise issues affecting the common people."

Replying to a question on whether Opposition parties in the I.N.D.I.A bloc would participate in the yatra, Venugopal said the final details were being worked out.

KRV rally turns ugly, shops vandalised, 1K detained

MOHAMMED YACOOB @ Bengaluru

DEMANDING that shops and commercial establishments display Kannada name boards prominently, activists of Karnataka Rakshana Vedike (KRV) went on a rampage across Bengaluru on Wednesday, damaging and blackening non-Kannada boards.

Police had a tough time in bringing the situation under control in many areas of the city. Around 1,000 activists were taken into preventive custody. Traffic on the busy airport road was disrupted for some time.

The activists of KRV (TA



Kannada Rakshana Vedike members take out a rally on KIA Road in Bengaluru demanding commercial establishments use Kannada on name boards, on Wednesday

Narayana Gowda faction) took out a rally and resorted to vandalism. They smashed display

panels and painted the non-Kannada name boards black. Chaos prevailed on Lavelle

EXPRESS READ

Gas leak in Chennai fertiliser unit; 57 in hosp

Chennai: In a double whammy to the residents of Ennore who are still struggling with the ill-effects of the recent oil spill from Chennai Petroleum Corporation Limited (CPCL), 57 people were hospitalised on Wednesday after ammonia gas leaked from a fertiliser manufacturer company in the area. Hospital sources said all those being treated, including those in ICU, are stable | P5

FIR against MP Simha for remarks on Siddhu

Mysuru: Devaraja police registered an FIR against Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha on Tuesday night following a complaint by the Mysuru District Congress Committee for his remarks against Chief Minister Siddaramaiah | P4

Eye on polls, Centre hikes copra MSP

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

THE Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs on Wednesday approved a hike of ₹250-300 per quintal in the minimum support price (MSP) for copra, raising it to ₹11,160-12,000 per quintal for the 2024 season. The decision apparently is aimed at wooing farmers of Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu, which produce both milling and ball copra, ahead of the 2024 elections.

The decision along with others including construction of a new six-lane bridge across river Ganga between Patna and Saran in Bihar was taken at a meeting chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Union minister Anurag Thakur said though copra prices have fallen globally, the

government has decided to increase the MSP by 50% more than the production cost.

Milling copra is used to extract oil while ball copra is consumed as a dry fruit and used on a large scale for religious rituals across India, including in the South. The ball copra is cultivated in Karnataka, where the BJP is trying to win maximum seats in the 2024 Lok Sabha polls by wooing the farmers of the state. This season, the government procured a record 1.33 lakh tonnes of copra, at a cost of ₹1,493 crore, benefiting around 90,000 farmers.

Among the other decisions,

the Cabinet also approved the construction of a new 4.56 km long bridge across the Ganga between Patna and Saran in Bihar. The six-lane bridge on the Ganga will be built at a cost of ₹3,064.45 crore.

The Cabinet also granted ex-post facto approval to sign and ratify a Migration and Mobility Agreement with Italy that allows Indian students temporary residence in the European nation for up to one year after studies to gather professional experience.

Besides, the Cabinet discussion an agreement inked by Prasar Bharati with the Malaysian public broadcaster.

The MSP for milling copra for 2024 will be higher than that of 2023. It has been increased by Rs 300 per quintal. The MSP for ball copra has been increased by Rs 250 per quintal. This cabinet decision comes as a relief to farmers. I thank the Prime Minister. @PMOIndia — HD Deve Gowda, JDS supremo and former PM

WRESTLING

IOA sets up ad-hoc panel, WFI cries foul

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

THE wrestling saga witnessed a fresh twist on Wednesday. On a day when Congress leader Rahul Gandhi went to grapple with protesting wrestler Bajrang Punia, the Indian Olympic Association formed an ad hoc committee to run the Wrestling Federation of India.

The three-member panel will be headed by Bhopinder Singh Bajwa, former Wushu Association of India president. Hockey Olympian M M Somaya and former international badminton player Manjusha Kanwar are the other members. Newly-elected WFI president Sanjay Singh cried foul and said the formation of the ad-hoc panel is unconstitutional. "I am an elected member and not a nominated one and the sports ministry cannot suspend it because it is an autonomous body," he said. Though the sports ministry had 'suspended' the WFI three days after elections, the IOA formally suspended the wrestling body on Wednesday and put the reins in the hands of the ad-hoc committee.

The IOA said due to the lack of good governance they were forced to appoint the ad-hoc body. All eyes will be on the United World Wrestling that had suspended the WFI for not conducting elections in August. The UWW has not said anything about the elections. | P15

14 STATES, 6,200 KM

The 6,200 km East to West yatra will cover 14 states — Manipur, Nagaland, Assam, Meghalaya, West Bengal, Bihar, Jharkhand, Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Gujarat and Maharashtra. It's full itinerary will be announced later



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SMALLER CROWDS AND STAYCATIONS

BENGALURU PREPARES FOR A DIFFERENT NEW YEAR

As Covid bites, hotels regulate crowds; Many drive out to herald 2024

RISHITA KHANNA @ Bengaluru

WHILE a few pubs in the city have decided to go for limited-ticket New Year parties to regulate crowds, several other large hotel chains in Bengaluru have shifted gears, choosing to host only intimate New Year dinners, instead of club party nights, responding to the scare of rising Covid cases. However, while some people have decided to celebrate New Year's Eve in the city, others have preferred heading out of Bengaluru, with travel agencies seeing a spike in online bookings for buses and other modes of transport, to getaways such as Kodagu and Chikkamagaluru.

In contrast to earlier events featuring DJs and nightclubs that welcomed large groups of party animals, the quintessential New Year party this time around will adopt a more intimate approach with a dinner setting and only two DJs outside the buffet venue, a human resources executive from Taj Hotels told *TNIE*.

Due to a surge in Covid cases, the hotel chain has prioritised safety by dividing people ac-



cording to their tickets. The dinner festivities will be hosted simultaneously across three distinct restaurants within the hotel. The whole change is aimed at minimising congregation at a single place. Despite the party extending until mid-

State records 103 new Covid cases

Karnataka recorded 103 new cases of Covid-19, with one death (a 53-year-old man in Mysuru), on Wednesday. The total number of active cases in the state is now 479. Of these, 19 are in ICU, 38 in general beds, and 422 in home isolation. Meanwhile, the health department has ramped up testing and conducted 7,262 tests, with the state docking a positivity rate of 1.41 per cent.

BMTC to operate additional buses on Dec 31

For the convenience of commuters on New Year's Eve, BMTC will operate additional buses from MG Road and Brigade Road to different parts of the city, between 11 pm on December 31, 2023, and 2 am on January 1, 2024. The additional buses will operate from MG Road and Brigade Road to Kadugodi Bus Station - HAL Road and Hoodi Road, Sarjapur, Electronics City (Hosur Road), Bannerghatta National Park, Kengeri KHB Quarters, Janapriya Township (Magadi Road), Nelamangala, Yelahanka 5th Stage, RK Hegde Nagar, Bagalur (Hennur Road) Hoskote. Apart from additional bus services operating from MG Road and Brigade Road, BMTC, in the backdrop of the New Year, may provide complementary bus services from other bus stations including Yelahanka, Indiranagar, Koramangala, Shantivanagar, Banashankari, Sumanahalli, Goraguntepalya, Kadugodi, Nagasandra, Hebbal and Central Silk Board on December 31.

night, the primary focus is on adhering to guidelines that advise against large gatherings, while still providing a hospitable experience for guests, the executive said, adding that while the hotel chains across the city have decided to continue with these arrangements, "we have been receiving multiple calls from guests inquiring about why the ticket prices remain unchanged, despite the hotel only offering dinner and no nightclub arrangements. Additionally, a few people are also questioning whether the party will still be held if Covid cases continue to rise as the tickets priced at Rs 8,000-11,000 are non-refundable".

While most of the hotels altered their arrangements, the city's pubs will throw their usual New Year parties, with nightclubbing activities, but with limited reservations. "Although ticket prices remain the same, there is restricted registration, with fewer reservations being given as compared to last year, to prevent large gatherings," informed Santhosh H, manager at an upscale pub in Koramangala.

Online travel and staycation registrations for getaways including Nandi Hills, Kodagu and Chikkamagaluru are fully booked too, with most of the reservations made two months ahead of the New Year that falls around a weekend, a travel agent with Greenline Travels said. So far, no cancellations have been made. People booked tickets under the belief that since these destinations are small, Covid restrictions would be enforced at a later state here, even if the cases surge, he added.



Karnataka Rakshana Vedike (KRV) state president TA Narayana Gowda raises pro-Kannada slogans, as he is taken into preventive custody, during a rally by KRV members on Kempegowda International Airport Road (left); Police personnel stop KRV members from vandalising business establishments, demanding that they put up Kannada name boards and hoardings and minimise the use of English ones, in Bengaluru on Wednesday | EXPRESS



Protect our businesses, staffers: Retailers seek chief secretary's help

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

FOLLOWING Karnataka Rakshana Vedike (KRV) activists vandalising name boards of shops not displaying Kannada, the Retailers' Association of India (RAI) has written to Chief Secretary Rajneesh Goel, seeking his immediate intervention to prevent any escalation of tension, and to ensure protection of retailers, their employees and customers.

Gautam Jain, Director (Advocacy), RAI, stated in the letter that the incident has caused significant distress and fear among staff and customers, leading to concern for their safety and protection of assets. "While we fully acknowledge and respect the cultural sentiments of Karnataka and importance of promoting the Kannada language, we would like to highlight that our member retailers have always been committed to honouring local culture and made efforts to

comply with Kannada signage on name boards. It is important to note that all signage are displayed in both Kannada and English, with due prominence given to the Kannada language. There are instances that on some signages, the 60% requirement may not have been met," Jain stated.

Further, he noted that RAI had filed a writ petition in 2019 in this regard, and the High Court had issued a stay restraining BBMP from taking any coercive action in this matter. "The stay order is still pending and awaiting final resolution," he stated. Meanwhile, Ramesh Chandra Lahoti, president of the Federation Of Karnataka Chamber of Commerce and Industries, said the federation follows rules set by the state government and BBMP. "With regard to displaying 60 per cent Kannada on boards, we request the government to give industries time till February and not to take any action."

Patrolling intensified in CBD, says top cop

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HUNDREDS of shops were vandalised before the police could bring the situation under control. The activists targeted Phoenix Mall Of Asia on Airport Road at Byatarayanapura and tried to enter it. The mall management immediately suspended operations for the day. High drama prevailed when women activists, who tried to enter the mall, were bundled into buses and taken away by police personnel. The activists alleged that the mall management was only asked to follow rules pertaining to name boards, but they filed a case against them.

KRV president TA Narayana Gowda said, "The Mall Of Asia and other mall owners may have taken police protection today. But if they don't give priority to Kannada, our activists will wage into their premises and damage their property." The protesting activists also destroyed non-Kannada billboards and posters near Sadahalli Gate, where the police stopped their rally. Bengaluru City Police Commissioner B Dayananda said, "We have registered five cases for vandalism. Around 1,000 activists were taken into preventive custody at Sadahalli Gate near Devanahalli, KR Puram and other areas of the city. We have given protection to malls and have intensified patrolling in the CBD."

BBMP locks Mantri mall over outstanding taxes

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE Mantri Square mall has been locked by the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) owing to non-clearance of outstanding tax arrears yet again. The BBMP had directed the management of the mall, which is located in Malleswaram, to pay up its tax arrears. Since the dues were not cleared by the management, the BBMP revenue division staff arrived at its location on Wednesday and locked the mall citing non-payment of tax dues.

In total, Mantri Square owes Rs51 crore in tax dues to BBMP. The mall management was issued notices several times in



the past by the Palike, to clear the arrears, but there was no response. Finally on Wednesday, BBMP officials locked the main gate of the mall, and pasted a note outside, which reads that the property will be locked until the tax dues are cleared.

Breach of marriage promise: HC directs man to pay maintenance to child born out of wedlock

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

DECLINING to quash the charges of criminal intimidation and cheating against a 25-year-old man for breach of promise of marriage after having a physical relationship by threatening the victim, taking advantage of her strained relationship with her husband, the High Court of Karnataka has directed him to pay maintenance to the child born out of wedlock at Rs 10,000 a month till the conclusion of the trial.

Justice M Nagaprasanna passed the order while partly allowing a petition filed by ac-

cused Raghavendraraddi from Gadag district, questioning the complaint filed by a 26-year-old woman.

The court said that the statements recorded and the DNA report establish that the child was born due to the acts of the accused and the victim and now the victim is left in the lurch as she neither has the support of her husband with whom her relationship has completely strained nor the accused, who now wants to marry another woman. In the fight between the accused and the victim, the innocent child is caught. Therefore, as it is found that the accused is the biological father, he now can-



not shirk his responsibility of looking after the child, the court observed.

The court, however, quashed the charges of rape as consensual sex or the sexual act on the promise of marriage would not attract charges of rape. The accused and the victim

claim to have been in love since 2018 and have had a physical relationship as well. The victim married another person in 2021 while still being in a relationship with the accused. As the relationship with her husband strained, she returned to her parents.

It was at that time when the accused allegedly lured her to continue the relationship. It was also alleged that the accused promised to marry her if she left her husband and had a physical relationship with her. As she conceived out of wedlock and came to know that the accused was planning to get married to someone else, she filed a police complaint.

EXPRESS READ Contractors deprive civic workers of benefits, booked

BENGALURU: Alleging that two contractors engaged in solid waste management have not paid ESI and PF benefits to 134 BBMP pourakarmikas in Padmanabhanagar Assembly constituency over a four-year period, Karnataka Rajya Nagara Mattu Purasabhe Pourakarmikara Mahasangha Bengaluru Unit president PN Muthyalappa has sought action against them, informed Assistant Executive Engineer, Solid Waste Management Department, Banashankari Sub-Division, who filed a complaint at CK Achukattu Police Station against the erring contractors. "Between June 2013 and September 2018, Vijay Kumar, owner of VK Enterprise, and Muniraju have allegedly denied ESI and PF benefits to 134 pourakarmikas. Hence, we demand action against them," he said.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

28th December: Yesterday I was talking about the increasing number of Earth-like planets we are discovering in distant solar-systems. One thing that concerns me is whether they have an astrology like ours? Actually, I doubt it, because they would have different planets, so nothing would be quite the same. I think I would rather like the differences, though!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

Surface appearances are misleading but, at a deeper level, much of what has taken place recently concerns how much you value yourself and the contributions you know you are capable of making to your environment. Hopefully, you've already gained in confidence.

TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)

You are quite justified in your suspicion that you're getting a raw deal, yet you must admit that this is inevitable if you never make it clear what you need. This is a time to be more open about your wants and desires. Around the end of the week you'll even be able to face up to a secret dream.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

If you were to be honest with yourself, you'd admit your own part in obscuring the issues and so undermining a relationship which is extremely important to your happiness. You must be more aware of your real motivations. At work, it looks as if colleagues are keeping secrets, but nothing you need worry about.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

You might be regretting recent expenditure, or any other way in which you've disposed of your earnings and savings. However, if you carry on as you are at present, you're well on the way to making a decent profit. Just don't say anything you'll come to regret.

LEO (July 24 - Aug 23)

You really must never again relegate family affairs to the position they occupied in the past. Whatever else is happening, you could come out of the present phase with a home that is more spacious, comfortable and luxurious than you ever imagined would be possible.

VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sept 23)

Although planetary pressures are now easing, you may still be obliged to sort out the mess left behind by people who are just not as capable as you are at handling difficult and stressful conditions. It's important not to blame others, otherwise you may stir up an old home's nest.

LIBRA (Sept 24 - Oct 23)

You're still making strenuous efforts to get control of events which have recently seemed to be getting out of hand. Now that the Moon is encouraging the part of your solar chart ruling money, business affairs should pick up, much to your relief.

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 22)

It will be some time before you realise the full implication of a series of obstacles and opportunities which have been responsible for dramatic ups and downs in your personal life. This is probably not the best time to seek revenge for a past wrong.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23 - Dec 22)

One way or another you'll soon be able to gain a fresh perspective on a number of occurrences which are only now coming to light. You might feel that a certain person has a great deal to answer for. However, the deeper truth might be a long time coming.

CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20)

It's too early to suggest that calmer times are about to return, if only because excitable friends are liable to make mountains out of even the most insignificant molehills. You still need to juggle your various commitments, and you may soon have to turn down an enticing offer.

AQUARIUS (Jan 21 - Feb 19)

One result of Neptune's benevolent presence in your chart is that you're becoming known for your compassionate nature, and this may be just what is needed at the present time when friends are coming to you with their worries and fears. But don't forget your own very vital concerns.

PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20)

Jupiter, your wise and generous ruling planet has recently survived a series of unenviable planetary aspects, leaving you a little bit older and definitely much wiser. New friends might be responsible for some disturbances, but that often happens with people who don't know you as well as they think.

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JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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Answer here:

Yesterday's Jumbles: YAHOO MOTTO ZIPPER GENTLY

Answer: When asked if he'd seen the Abominable Snowman, the tracker said — NOT 'YETI'

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Substance, 8 Trial, 9 Mascara, 10 Cheese, 11 Wedded, 12 American, 15 Leaky, 16 Wane, 20 Erase, 21 Angered, 22 Night, 23 Smash hits.

Down: 2 Uke, 3 Seeds, 4 Alredale, 5 Circle, 6 Prime, 7 Alternate, 11 Well-mean, 18 Earnings, 14 Ratings, 16 Yachts, 17 Gareth, 19 Cheat.

Worker chained in factory rescued

He had taken loan of Rs 1.5 lakh from his employer and stayed away from work

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POLICE rescued a 24-year-old man who was kept chained by his factory employer at Mahabubnagar in Ramanagara on Monday evening.

Mohammed Waseem, the worker, is said to have taken a loan of Rs 1.5 lakh from his employer Syed Isam, 28, who owns SIU Silks, and stayed away from work for almost a month.

Enraged by his absence without any intimation, Isam allegedly chained Waseem, who re-

turned to work nine days ago and did not allow him to go home. Waseem was told to work day and night till he clears his loan, the police said.

Waseem is a resident of Water Tank Circle at Ijor. He joined Isam's factory five months ago. A criminal case has been registered



against Isam and factory supervisor Syed Amjad, 34. A case under the provisions of the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act has also been registered against Isam and Amjad.

Waseem was wrongfully confined and tortured by Isam. The accused had chained Wa-

seem's legs and forced him to sleep inside the factory at night. The victim is said to have stayed away from work for personal reasons. He had taken the loan on the condition that the money will be deducted from his salary, the police said.

"On credible information, we searched the factory. The jurisdictional shirastadar from the Revenue Department also accompanied us. Both have been taken into custody," said a police officer.

Further investigations are on, he said.

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HELPING HAND

Essential items collected by The New Indian Express office in Bengaluru on Wednesday to be sent to those affected by the recent floods in Tamil Nadu | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

KSRTC increases accident compensation for passengers

Bengaluru: The Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) announced increase in the compensation to kin of passengers who die during travel on KSRTC buses from Rs 3 lakh to Rs 10 lakh starting January 1. To ensure additional aid for dependents, a nominal contribution will be collected from passengers. Rs 1 will be collected for the tickets valued at Rs 50-99 while for tickets priced at Rs 100 and above, Rs 2 will be charged. The contribution will be directed to the Accident Relief Fund. However, no contribution will be collected for the tickets valued between Rs 1 to Rs 49. **ENS**

30 passengers injured in serial collision

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AS many as 30 passengers sustained injuries in a serial collision on the Bengaluru-Tumakuru Road near Tonachinakuppe in Nela-mangala, which involved five buses and a lorry.

The buses were inter-state sleeper coach buses and were returning to the city. It is suspected that early morning fog is the reason for the collision.

The collision occurred when one of the buses rammed a lorry that was parked by the road near Nela-mangala. Thereafter, four other buses collided into each other. It is suspected that early morning fog is the reason for the collision.

Seven ambulances were used to shift the injured to nearby hospitals. While many were rushed to hospitals by locals and the Nela-mangala traffic police, rescuers had a tough time bringing out injured passengers from the buses.

Most passengers were fast asleep at the time of the accident. Besides, cranes were used to shift the damaged buses from the spot and make way for traffic movement.

The Nela-mangala traffic police are looking into the incident.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client, **BRJ Shashikumar V S/o Sri Venkatesh T.** (Aged About 28 Years, Residing at Ward No.3, Bharath Nagar, Vijayapura, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District-562135, who is the present owner of below mentioned property and he was having Original Sale Deed dated 21.05.2020, vide Document No. BVP-1-00288/2020-21 of Book-1, C.D.No. BVPD611 registered in the office of Sub-registrar, Byatarayanapura Bangalore, in respect of Property bearing Site No.09, Khatha No.455/31/81/509, Assessment No.81/5 & 73/1, measuring East to West: 50 Feet And North to South: (24'-0" x 30'-0") 2Fect, Total 1350 sq ft. Situated at Amruthahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk and the aforesaid. Original Sale Deed has been lost/misplaced while shifting the house at Bharath Nagar, Vijayapura on 22.12.2023 and he has made best efforts in tracing the same but efforts were in vain. Further he lodged a police complaint in this regarding on 23.12.2023 with E-lost report No.0861133/2023, if anyone found the aforesaid document may return to me or anyone having any sort of claim over the said property may lodge their objections in writing within 7 days from this day to the undersigned. Date: 27.12.2023 Place: Bangalore N. Venkata Reddy B.A., LL.B, Advocate, No.38/1, 2nd Floor, near Anand Bhavan Hotel, Ballary Main Road, Ganganagar, Bengaluru-560032. Mobile No.9342810658.

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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Inviting applications for the post of Director (Operation) in OPGC.

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Odisha Power Generation Corporation Ltd. (OPGC), a Government of Odisha company, operates state of the art thermal power plants at Banharipalli, Jharsuguda. It has a total generation capacity of 1740 MW (2x210 MW in first phase and 2X660MW in Second Phase). It has also been decided to add two more units of 660 MW capacity each. The Government/ OPGC are looking for suitable senior professionals for the following leadership positions on contract basis:

Name of the post	Qualification	Job profile
Director (Operations)	Degree in Mechanical/ Electrical Engineering/ Electrical & Electronics Engineering.	Director (Operation) is a Board Level position. Director (Operation) will report to the Managing Director. He is responsible for ensuring proper operation & maintenance of the IB Thermal Power Station and shall be based at IBTPS, Banharipalli.

B. Selection, Tenure and CTC:

- I. Selection will be made based on experience in operation & maintenance of thermal power plants. The candidate should have worked as Head of Plant/ General Manager/ equivalent of a plant station having at least 1000 MW capacity for at least 2 years. Candidates having experience in super critical power plants will be preferred.
- II. Minimum age will be 45 years and maximum age will be 60 years for both external and internal candidates as on 26/12/2023.
- III. This position is on full time contract basis for a period of 05(five) years or up to the age of superannuation i.e. 63 years whichever is earlier. The pay will be as per Market Based Salary (MBS) Structure in E-13 grade of OPGC with CTC in the range of Rs. 47.50 to Rs.85.50 Lac per annum.

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Interested and eligible candidates may send their applications and C.V by Registered post/ Speed post/ e-mail giving details of their experience in Operation & Maintenance, regulatory & commercial affairs, and leadership positions to Energy Department within 30 (thirty) days. For the detailed advertisement, candidates may visit the website of Energy Department <https://energy.odisha.gov.in/>. For other queries you may contact on the following address:

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Name of the post	Qualification	Job profile
Managing Director	Degree in Mechanical/ Electrical Engineering/ Electrical & Electronics Engineering.	Managing Director is a Board Level position. MD is the Chief Executive Officer of the Company. He reports to the Chairman, Board of Directors and is accountable to the Government. He is based at Bhubaneswar.

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Selection will be made based on experience in operation & maintenance of thermal power plants. For the position of Managing Director, experience at various levels including regulation and commercial shall be preferred. Candidates with experience at the level of Director in Board/ Executive Director/ equivalent position in a reputed power company with at least 1500 MW installed capacity shall be preferred.

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Landlord's kin, goons beat up tenant's aged mom

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A REALTOR and his family faced a harrowing ordeal when they were thrown out of their rented house and his 85-year-old mother was beaten up by their landlord's relative and some goons in Krishna Reddy Layout in Banaswadi on Wednesday evening.

The landlord's family wanted P Kumar to vacate the house, where he and his family were staying for the past 12 years, immediately, but allegedly refused to pay the advance of Rs 2.5 lakh.

The accused made Kumar's aged father, who has serious health issues, and young children, leave the house and threw out their possessions. After this, certain valuables have gone missing.

As the landlord is based in the US, his sister, L Shanthamma, carries out the rent-related transactions on his behalf. Her husband Ravi and six goons allegedly assaulted the tenant's mother and have put a new lock on the main door. Kumar's wife is away in her hometown in Andhra Pradesh. A Hoysala came after being called and then left.

Speaking to *The New Indian Express*, Kumar said, "I have been paying my rent of Rs 18,500 every month for the 3BHK house on the second floor of this gated community. I have paid an advance of Rs 2.5 lakh to Shanthamma. The present rental agreement ends in November. I have been telling them since August that I want to vacate and been asking for the advance. However, Shanthamma told me she was having financial



The belongings of P Kumar that were thrown out by the owner in Krishna Reddy Layout in Banaswadi

problems and the advance would be paid in future even if it took ten years." Kumar refused to leave without the advance.

Shanthamma had also repeatedly approached Kumar's wife in his absence and made her transfer money citing high rents everywhere and has collected Rs one lakh.

Kumar had approached the Ramamurthy Nagar police station in mid-December to file a complaint and Circle Inspector Rangaswamy called Shanthamma to the station. "She grew aggressive and charged him of not paying the rent for months. I produced proof of all payment three weeks later," he added. "Since the cops were not taking my complaint, I visited the Police Commissioner ofice and registered a case," he said.

He has opened the new lock and his family is staying in the house, Kumar added. Rangaswamy assured the reporter that he would send cops to help the family.



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Sign on case diary: HC junks plea of Nettaru case accused

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THE Karnataka High Court rejected a petition filed by an accused, seeking direction to the judge of the special court for NIA cases to affix his signature or put his initials on each page of the case diary of cases registered by the National Investigating Agency (NIA) on every occasion, when it brought to the court by the investigating officer and taken back.

Justice M Nagaprasanna dismissed the petition filed by Mohammed Shiyab, native of Sullia taluk of Dakshina Kannada district, who is accused No. 8 in the murder of RSS activist Praveen Nettaru in Mangaluru in July 2022.

Referring to the law laid down by the Supreme Court that the intention of the legislature cannot be whittled by court in an exercise to reframe the legislation, as courts are not conferred with such power, the high court said that if the petitioner's prayer is accepted, it would run foul of those principles elucidated by the apex court.

In effect, the petitioner is asking the court to reframe legislation by adding the words that the magistrate should affix his signature on every page of the case diary, while it is not the mandate of the statute, the court said.

The petitioner submitted that several states, in their respective Criminal Rules of Practice, mandate that the case diary at every point in time, be signed by the judge of the court.

The High Court said, that would not enure to the benefit of the petitioner to seek a direction that the same practice should be followed in Karnataka, notwithstanding no such mandate existing in the Criminal Rules of Practice, 1968 of the state.

Flyer loses wallet in B'luru-bound SpiceJet, makes hoax bomb threat, held

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IN a strange incident, a frustrated flyer who reached Bengaluru from Delhi on a SpiceJet flight was upset due to the response he received from the call centre staff when he complained of a lost wallet on board the flight. In a bid to make them take his complaint seriously, Shreyansh Chamaria claimed

there was a bomb inside his wallet. Thereafter, he was arrested by the airport police yesterday.

According to police, Chamaria arrived at Kempegowda International Airport by flight SG 8536 on December 26 at 9.20 am. On realising that his wallet was missing, he called up the SpiceJet call centre at Gurugram at 10.16 am. "He was

asked routine questions by the person answering the call and put on hold by an executive. Sensing that his call was not treated seriously and desperate to get his wallet back, he claimed that it had a bomb in it and to locate it immediately," a police source said.

When the executive asked for the location of the bomb, the passenger replied in Hindi, "I



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The passenger, who runs a garment business, was arrested by the airport police near the SpiceJet counter and was thereafter produced before a district magistrate.

An FIR has been booked under Sections 505 (public mischief) and 507 (Criminal intimidation by an anonymous communication) of the IPC Act.

Knives are out for Yatnal over BSY tirade

BJP leaders want the MLA expelled for sabotaging party's interests

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BJP MLA and former Union minister Basangouda Patil Yatnal's allegations of corruption against party stalwart B S Yediyurappa has caused a major embarrassment

within the party and is threatening to dent its image ahead of the 2024 Lok Sabha polls. Following this, party leaders are demanding stern action against him.

Sources said Yatnal's tirade against the former chief minister and allegations of corruption in the BJP government came up for discussion during the meeting of newly appointed office-bearers. Many leaders were said to have expressed displeasure over Yatnal's conduct and accused him of acting like a Congress agent.

They urged the state leadership to take the matter up with central leaders and get Yatnal expelled from the party as failure to take action against him will make them look like guilty. Many were also said to have felt that they should not allow Yatnal to sabotage the party ahead of the Lok Sabha elections, sources said.

The leaders told BJP state president B Y Vijayendra that it would become difficult for them to meet people if they do not put an end to such damaging statements coming from the party MLA.

"All developments were discussed seriously. Any activities and statements that will damage the party will not be tolerated," BJP state general secretary P Rajiv told reporters to a question if Yatnal's allegations against Yediyurappa were discussed at the meeting. However, he refused to give the details about the deliberations.

Earlier in the day, addressing a press conference in Bengaluru, BJP MP and former CM D V Sadananda Gowda said over 25 statements about the party have come from over a dozen leaders. If that is allowed to continue it will increase further and damage the party, he said.

Gowda said when he was the party president he had taken action against those speaking against the party and that should be done now.

Meanwhile, Congress leaders used Yatnal's statements to put the BJP on the backfoot. The ruling party leaders claimed that the BJP MLA's statements proved their allegation of corruption in the BJP regime.

"BJP MLA @BasangoudaBJP's bold allegation that the previous @BJP4Karnataka government led by @BSYBJP was involved in a Rs 40,000 crore corruption scandal during the Covid-19 pandemic has given further evidence to our earlier accusation that the BJP government was a '40% commission government'," the CM stated on X.

The CM said they had accused the Yediyurappa government of corruption of approximately Rs 4,000 crore under the guise of Covid treatment and management. "Yatnal should not make hit-and-run accusations. If he is committed to eradicating corruption, he should logically conclude his accusation. For this, he needs to submit all the information he has about corruption to the inquiry commission led by retired judge Nagamohan Das," the CM stated.

Home Minister H Parameshwara said they were under the wrong impression that corruption during the BJP government was Rs 4,000 crore as it was Rs 40,000 crore.



PRAVEEN KUMAR

ALTHOUGH Karnataka is touted as a progressive state in India, 2023 saw incidents like the Belagavi stripping shocker which made the state hang its head in shame. Resurfacing of sex determination and female foeticide rackets revealed that we still have a long way to go to earn the 'progressive state' tag. Traditional crimes and skyrocketing cybercrimes and economic offences, expanding tentacles of terrorist organisations and a growing network of drug peddlers stressed the need to strengthen policing.

Karnataka witnessed a surge in cybercrimes although Bengaluru, known for its IT innovation, was expected to provide better infrastructure to tackle it. Unfortunately, 2023 saw even software engineers falling prey to cyber crooks, losing money to online job frauds, which topped the trends in cyber crimes, followed by business opportunity frauds, loan frauds and sextortion, among others.

Despite stricter vigil and crackdown by law enforcement agencies, drug menace continued unabated in the state, especially in Bengaluru, where drug dealers seem to have developed an impenetrable network of peddlers. Although police discouraged consumers by booking them under the NDPS Act, it failed to deter them from consuming easily

A WORRISOME 2023 ON THE CRIME FRONT FOR K'TAKA

available substances like ganja (marijuana), leaving police with the option of getting to the bottom of the case and dismantling active drug networks.

In the stripping incident, a 42-year-old woman belonging to a Scheduled Tribe, whose son eloped with a girl, ended up being punished by the girl's family. They stripped and paraded her naked before tying her to a pole and beating her up. It happened in a village in Belagavi even as the state legislature was in session there, and shook up the state and country. The Karnataka High Court took suo motu cognisance of the case and pulled up the police and government. The incident cast doubts about us being a civilised society.

The October 7 Attibele crack-godown fire tragedy, which claimed 17 lives, caught the nation's attention. Most of the victims were students who had come there to earn money to pay their college fees. The incident near the Karnataka-Tamil Nadu border made authorities rethink fire safety measures and the dire need to implement stricter rules. The government contemplated banning firecrackers, even during Deepavali, but no concrete decision was taken.

Sex determination and female foeticide cases prompted the health department to up its ante against diagnostic centres. It led to the unearthing of a racket run from a nursing



home in Hoskote, where staff and doctors had allegedly performed over 100 sex-selection abortions. The case is being probed by the CID.

In July, the Bengaluru CCB police arrested five terror suspects who were allegedly radicalised in Bengaluru Central Prison by a Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) operative to carry out terror attacks in the city. Advanced ammunition, including rifles, live bullets and explosives were recovered. The National Investigation Agency (NIA) carried out multiple search operations in several districts of the state, especially in connection with suspects having links with ISIS, indicating the state was a preferred haven for extremist outfits to radicalise, recruit and carry out unlawful activities.

Several incidents of moral policing were also reported, especially in the coastal belt of Karnataka, despite the Congress government reiterating its zero-tolerance stand on moral policing. A few cases of honour killing were also reported.



INCIDENTS OF CONCERN

1 A 42-year-old woman was stripped and paraded naked in New Vantamuri village in Belagavi on December 10. The accused, including women, were furious after her son eloped with an 18-year-old woman, who was engaged to another man. They barged into her house and dragged her out before committing the inhuman act.

2 Seventeen people lost their lives when a cracker godown caught fire at Attibele near Bengaluru on October 7. Most victims, hailing from Tamil Nadu, were students who wanted to earn money for fees.

3 A sex determination and female foeticide racket was busted on October 15 by Byappanahalli police in Bengaluru. The arrested included doctors, lab technicians, nurses and agents. The accused charged Rs 20,000 to Rs 25,000 for abortions and Rs 5,000 for sex determination tests, and allegedly conducted them at a jaggery unit in a remote village in Mandya, and abortions at a nursing home in Mysuru.

AAP spokesman Brijesh Kalappa quits party

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BRIJESH Kalappa has resigned as national spokesperson of Aam Aadmi Party. In his resignation letter on Wednesday, he said, "As clouds gather for general election, it is important to be battle-ready and to try to make a genuine contribution in Karnataka and nationally to bring about effective change in the country. Thus my journey with AAP has come to an end."

In a Facebook post, he said, "I am deeply grateful for the love and affection shared with me by AAP workers throughout the state. Frankly, so much is spoken about AAP being the B-team of BJP. But I have not met a single leader or worker of AAP who has asoft corner for BJP in the year or so spent by me in AAP."

Opposition to caste census report: Siddhu to respond with AHINDA rally in Jan

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WITH the Veerashaiva Lingayat and Vokkaliga communities having expressed their opposition to the Congress government accepting the State Backward Classes Commission's caste census report, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah is set to give a reply by organising an AHINDA (acronym for minority, backward classes and Dalits) rally on January 28 in Chitradurga.

The 'Shoshitara Jagruthi Samavesh' rally gained significance in the wake of the Akhila Bharata Veerashaiva-Lingayat Mahasabha convention held recently at Davanagere, where a resolution was passed to reject the caste-based socio-economic education survey report. Apart from demanding that the H Kantharaj Commission's caste-

based socio-economic-educational survey report be accepted, the AHINDA rally will also pass a resolution to demand that the Centre conduct a similar survey at the national level. It will also seek withdrawal of the 10 per cent quota given to Economically Weaker Sections.

Demanding implementation of women's reservation from the coming general elections, along with internal reservation for OBCs and providing minorities reservation in the Lok Sabha and assemblies on the lines of reservation for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes will also be part of the resolution, informed BT Jagadish, a leader.

It may recalled that Siddaramaiah had promised the AHINDA communities that the report would be accepted, but did not do so due to pressure from Veerashaiva-Lingayats and Vokkaligas. The government

has even extended the term of Backward Classes Commission Chairman K Jayaprakash Hegde, which ended on November 25, 2023, to January 31, 2024, and it remains to be seen whether the government accepts the report before the Lok Sabha polls and uses it as a poll plank.

But the rally ahead of the 2024 LS polls is likely to help the ruling Congress in some seats in central and north Karnataka, including Chitradurga, Haveri and Koppal, where AHINDA communities, including Kurubas, constitute a sizable electoral population.

Aspirants for the Congress ticket from Chitradurga include former minister H Anjaneya and former MP BN Chandrappa, who have helped the organisation, according to sources. Incumbent BJP MP and Union minister for Social Justice Anekal Narayanaswamy, who appears to be fac-

ing anti-incumbency, recently stated that he may not contest the 2024 LS polls.

"It is a continuation of AHINDA in which all the communities' leaders and people will take part. We will back Siddaramaiah to the hilt on the socio-economic survey by the Kantharaj Commission," informed K M Ramachandrappa, who claimed to have embarked on a state tour to organise the communities for the rally. Over 10 lakh people representing every taluk, will take part, he added.

Former Bengaluru mayor M Ramchandrappa claimed the rally would help the Congress in the 2024 polls. "There was opposition to former CM D Devaraj Urs accepting the Havanur report and now Siddaramaiah is under the pressure not to accept the caste census report. But the rally will give him a shot in the arm," he said.

Never take your political foes lightly, Vijayendra advises office-bearers

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FIGHTING the polls together, the BJP and its ally JDS will decimate rivals and win all the 28 Lok Sabha constituencies in the state, said BJP state president BY Vijayendra.

There is a palpable wave in favour of the BJP in the state and noticeably across the nation, he told party workers at a meeting of new office-bearers at the party office here on Wednesday.

"Every election throws up different challenges and we have to successfully overcome them," he said while appealing party workers to take forward the pro-people programmes initiated by Prime

Minister Narendra Modi.

Vijayendra said, "Although there is a perceptible support for the BJP, it is advisable to err on the side of caution. We should not take our political opponents lightly. Till the Lok Sabha elections are over, we cannot have Sundays, festivals or holidays. We will keep everything that distract us aside till we achieve the victory target in the Lok Sabha polls. Our inspiration is Modiji who has served the nation for nine-and-a-half years without rest."

He appealed to the cadres to work as a single team under the Hindutva banner by set-

ting aside petty differences of caste and sub-caste.

Pointing out that no government since independence has delivered facilities to the doorstep of people like the present BJP-NDA government, he said all the schemes and programmes of the Union government need to be efficiently delivered to the people of Karnataka.

"The dream and struggle of all Hindu activists of the last several decades has been for the construction of a grand temple of Lord Ram in Ayodhya, which is now coming true and will be launched by our PM," Vijayendra said.



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25-ft tall cane crop grabs eyeballs in Vijayapura

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UNUSUALLY tall sugarcane stalks sway far overhead — around 25ft above — leaving the onlooker awestruck, on the farm of Narayan Salunke and his brother Sidduba, in Golasangi village of Nidagundi taluk. The abnormally tall cane crop is an uncommon sight in these parts.

Having adopted Israeli technology to cultivate the sugarcane crop, the brothers have harvested a whopping 686 tonnes on a 5-acre plantation.

According to the farmers, a normal sugarcane stalk weighs around 2kg, while the cane grown by Salunke weighs 3.5-4kg. While normal cane grows to a length of about 8-10 feet, this variety shoots up to 25 feet.

"Experts suggest various aspects, and based on their advice we cultivated SNK 13374 variety of sugarcane crop. We used drip irrigation method and applied only organic manure which helps us get higher yield," he said. With news about the unusually tall sugarcane crop

reaching other farmers, four persons from Uttar Pradesh recently visited Golasangi to meet the Salunke brothers and find out more about the crop. "They wanted to know how we cultivated this variety and where we got information about it. The four persons had come from Amroha in UP. I gave them the required information," said Narayan Salunke.

He said that before cultivating the crop, the brothers took the guidance of agriculture scientists on the suitability of the va-

riety and grow it on his farm.

Narayan said he had even offered to send some experts from his place to educate sugarcane farmers on how to tie the tall crop so the stalks don't bend, which helps in an easy harvest. The siblings said they are ready to offer information to any farmer who evinces interest in cultivating the sugarcane crop to get higher yield and better earnings. "We want more farmers to adopt new farming technology to earn profit with minimum investment," he said.

Karnataka comes up with energy roadmap

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

FOCUSING on climate change mitigation and to address environmental challenges, the state government on Wednesday released an action plan for efficient energy management.

The action plan aims to provide a strategic roadmap on improving energy efficiency across various sectors. The Karnataka Renewable Development Limited (KREDL) and Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) released the Karnataka State Energy Efficiency Action Plan (K-SEEAP).

"Energy efficiency plays a crucial role in climate change mitigation by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and overall environmental impact. The action plan for the state is essential for multiple reasons, including resource conservation, economic benefit, environmental impact, climate change mitigation, technology intervention, job creation, compliance and regulation and energy security," Additional Chief Secretary Gaurav Gupta said during the launch of the report.

By transitioning to renewable energy sources, improving energy efficiency and implementing sustainable practices across industries, nations can significantly curb their carbon footprint, he added.

The state government's energy efficiency roadmap is aligned with the Panchamrit

goals announced by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the COP26 summit. The Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) has projected a national energy consumption reduction target of 150 million tonnes of oil equivalent by 2030.

"The K-SEEAP report marks a significant milestone towards sustainable energy practices. This initiative will provide a comprehensive roadmap that leverages Karnataka's strengths in renewable energy and energy conservation," said K P Rudrappaiah, Managing Director, KREDL.

Implementing Energy Efficiency and Energy Conservation endeavours is critical for meeting India's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) target of reducing the emission intensity of its GDP by 45% by 2030 from the 2005 level. From empirical research, it is now established that energy conservation measures will make the largest contribution to meeting the NDC target and mitigating adverse climatic change.



The unusually tall sugarcane crop grown in the farm of Narayan Salunke in Nidagundi taluk in Vijayapura district



People from more than eight affected villages holding a protest in front of Coromandel Fertilisers in Ennore | P RAVIKUMAR

AMMONIA GAS LEAK IN CHENNAI PUTS 57 IN HOSPITAL, SPARKS STIR



A mother tries to put a mask on her child during the protest | P RAVIKUMAR



An affected man receives treatment in an ambulance | P RAVIKUMAR

MOHAN @ Chennai

IN a double whammy to the residents of Ennore who are still struggling with the ill-effects of the recent oil spill from Chennai Petroleum Corporation Limited (CPCL), 57 people were hospitalised on Wednesday after ammonia gas leaked from a fertiliser manufacturer company in the area. Hospital sources said all those being treated, including those in ICU, are stable. The southern bench of the National Green Tribunal has taken suo motu cognisance of the issue.

The leak occurred at Coromandel International in Ennore around 11.30 pm on Tuesday during the pre-cooling process to pump ammonia in liquid form. The pungent odour could be smelt till Nethaji Nagar, located five km south of the plant, and hundreds of families woke up experiencing suffocation and feeling difficulty to breathe.

"During our routine opera-

tion, an abnormality was noticed in the ammonia unloading subsea pipeline near shoreside at 11.30 pm on Tuesday," the company said in a statement. Residents, however, alleged that the company had failed to alert them about the leak and employees of a neighbouring company were the first to warn them. Poongodi, a resident, said,

'COMPANY DID NOT ALERT US'

Residents of the villages alleged that the company had failed to alert them about the leak and employees of a nearby company were the first to warn them

"There was a frantic announcement at my doorstep asking us to leave as there was a gas leak. My daughter and I walked for more than two km and took refuge in a temple." The situation stabilised at 5 am. Aggrieved residents and fishermen staged a protest outside the northern and southern gates of the facility demanding its immediate closure.

Subashini, a resident of Katukuppam, told *TNIE*, "People were transported through ambulances and a government bus. The company neither alerted us nor did they coordinate the rescue operation."

Man dies as ethanol tank at Chennai IOCL explodes

GAUTHAM SELVARAJAN @ Chennai

A 52-year-old worker died and another suffered severe burns after the ethanol tank at the Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) terminal in Tondiarpet exploded on Wednesday. RK Nagar police said sparks from welding works could have triggered the blast.

The deceased, identified as G Perumal of Parameshwaran Nagar in Tondiarpet, had been working as a welder at the plant for the past 20 years. Saravanan, another welder, sustained 60% burn injuries

and is receiving treatment. Both of them were performing routine maintenance work on the tank, which has a capacity of 50,000 litres, when the blast occurred.

A police officer said, "While Perumal was involved in welding, Saravanan was assisting him. Around noon on Wednesday, the tank exploded and both of them were severely injured." They were rushed to a hospital, where Perumal was declared dead. Police recovered Perumal's body and sent it for postmortem. A case has been registered and an inquiry is on.



Smoke emerges from the IOCL plant in Tondiarpet on Wednesday | P RAVIKUMAR

₹5 LAKH SOLATIUM TO KIN OF DECEASED

The IOCL announced a solatium of ₹5 lakh to the family of the deceased. A team of experts from the head office in Mumbai and regional office in Chennai rushed to site to assist the investigation team. An official statement said that all possible measures would be taken to ensure safety before resumption of operations

Revanth: TS will be revenue surplus by curbing graft, judicious fund use

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Hyderabad

ALLEGING that his predecessor K Chandrababtu Naidu left the state finances "high and dry", Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy said that if misuse of funds and corruption were controlled, Telangana would become revenue surplus again and the government could implement welfare programmes. Speaking to media persons here on Wednesday, Revanth said that the state government was also expecting financial support from the Centre. "We expected a treasure trove, but the BRS govern-

ment gave us empty vessels," the chief minister remarked, indicating that the treasury was empty. He said that the BRS government did not even utilise the matching grants provided by the Centre on various schemes. "The only assets created by the BRS government was the purchase of 22 Land Cruisers which were kept in Vijayawada to be used after coming to power again. Each vehicle costs around ₹3 crore. I initially thought of using the old vehicles after some repairs to them. A police officer recently informed me that 22 Land Cruisers were purchased by the BRS govern-



Telangana CM A Revanth Reddy releases applications for 6 guarantees in Hyderabad | SRI LOGANATHAN VELMURUGAN

ment and they were in Vijayawada. Now, the government will use them," Revanth said. The BRS government demolished the old buildings,

which were in good condition, and constructed new buildings, the chief minister alleged and accused the previous regime of misusing public money.

Attacks KTR

Revanth alleged that being out of power, BRS working president KT Rama Rao was suffering from withdrawal symptoms like a person who consumes adulterated toddy. "When a drunkard faces withdrawal symptoms, he would be tied to a cot," Revanth remarked and suggested that Rama Rao too should be tied to a cot.

Vande Bharat Express takes 6 hr 2 min from B'luru to Coimbatore on trial run

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE first trial run of the Vande Bharat Express between Bengaluru Cantonment and Coimbatore Junction was conducted successfully from both ends by the Southern Railway and South Western Railway Zones on Wednesday. The 380-km journey took 5 hours and 38 minutes on the onward run from Coimbatore and 6 hours and 2 minutes during the return trip from Bengaluru Cantonment. The first commercial run will take place very shortly and Prime Minister Narendra Modi will virtually launch it on Saturday.

According to Chief Public Relations Officer, B Ganesan, "The train left Coimbatore at 5 am and reached Bengaluru at 10.38 am with Railway officials of both the zones on board. In return, it



The Coimbatore-Bengaluru Vande Bharat Express enters Bengaluru Cantonment as part of its trial run, on Wednesday | VINOD KUMAR T

left Bengaluru at 1.40 pm and reached Coimbatore at 7.42 pm. The fare details are yet to be finalised. The tentative stoppages are Tiruppur, Erode, Salem, Dharmapuri and Hosur," he added.

A senior Railway official of the Bengaluru Division said that the exact fare and time taken will be fine tuned shortly. "This is just a trial during which we are trying to finalise the timings so that the opera-

tions of other trains do not get impacted. The inaugural special will be launched by the Prime Minister from Ayodhya on December 30 with five other Vande Bharat trains and two Amrit Bharat trains. The fare structure is still being worked out," he said.

There were nearly 70 Railway staff on board, including Bengaluru Divisional Operations Manager, Ranganath Reddy.

ELSEWHERE FROM SOUTH

Kerala JDS to sever ties with national leadership

T'PURAM: As part of its decision to end all ties with the national leadership, two of the national office-bearers and 15 executive members will tender their resignations to JDS supremo H D Deve Gowda. Jose Thettayil and Safarulla will resign from the posts of JDS national general secretary and national secretary posts, respectively. The leadership has decided to stand as JDS Kerala unit for now. The leadership has decided not to float a new party or merger with another party. **ENS**

Six relatives of YSRC MLA killed in road accident in US

VIJAYAWADA: Six members of a family from Amalapuram were killed in an accident at Johnson County in Texas State of the US on Tuesday. One person was injured in the incident. The family was related to Mummidivaram YSRC MLA Ponnada Venkata Satish Kumar. According to local media reports, the family, who lived in Georgia, had travelled to Texas to celebrate Christmas with their relatives. They were returning home after visiting a zoo when a pick-up truck and the family's mini-van collided. **ENS**

Man cleaning police station dies in blast in Salem's Sankagiri

SALEM: A 45-year-old lorry driver, who was forced to clean the Sankagiri police station ahead of inspection by a senior officer, died after a country made cracker exploded when garbage was set on fire. Another person suffered injuries. The deceased was identified as A Niyamathullah of Eswaran Kovil Street in Sankagiri. According to sources, a high-ranking officer was to inspect the Sankagiri police station on Thursday. In view of this, the station was cleaned on Wednesday. **ENS**

Coast Guard evacuates unconscious mariner

ENS @ Mangaluru

THE Indian Coast Guard successfully evacuated a mariner who had a medical emergency on the ship MT Ivory Ray in the early hours of Wednesday. The ship was anchored at a range of 9.5 nautical miles off New Mangalore Port. Coast Guard headquarters, Karnataka, received a distress call from the agent of MT Ivory Ray, regarding critical injury on board.

One of the crew members had fallen in the washroom due to weakness. Indian Coast Guard Interceptor boat C-448 at 2.10 am helped in safe transfer of the unconscious patient under medical supervision.

"The successful execution of the medical evacuation will repose the faith of mariners on the capabilities of the Indian Coast Guard which will enable them to pursue economic activities with confidence," said the Coast Guard.

MAN MARRIES DALIT; GROOM'S KIN FACES BOYCOTT

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Shivamogga

A FAMILY belonging to the Jogi community has been socially boycotted by some leaders of the same community as a man from the caste married a Dalit girl at Horabailu village of Kumsi hobli in Shivamogga taluk. Miffed over the marriage, the community leaders asked their community people to not talk to the man's family and warned of slapping a fine of Rs1,000 if they disobey the decision. They have

also offered to tip Rs 500 to those who inform them about people who disobey.

The wife of the man has filed a complaint. Meanwhile, a team of officials visited the village and the Kumsi police registered a case in this regard.

Horabailu village has around 80 houses, of which around 60 houses belong to the Jogi community. Preeti and Dinesh were in love with each other and got married on September 10, and registered their marriage on September 27. Around 36 hous-

es of the Jogi community are located in one circle and some of them are the groom's relatives. They have now boycotted the family for accepting the girl from Adi Karnataka community. By conducting a meeting, the villagers decided to boycott the family and cut all ties. They decided to penalise Rs 1,000 for those who talk with the man's family and reward Rs 500 for those who catch anyone talking to the boycotted family.

The groom's family was forced to seek help from the po-

lice. Apparently, the decision to keep his family away from attending an annual puja of their deity to be held in village has disturbed the complainant.

DSS District Convenor, Hale-shappa, said, "A few of them from the Jogi Community have availed fake SC certificates and are getting government benefits and facilities. They want Jogi community to have SC tag and avail government benefits, but are not ready to accept a girl from the SC community. This is not acceptable," he added.

The members of the DSS demanded the district administration, district in-charge minister and government to provide social justice to the family.

If the district administration neglects the issue, the DSS will stage severe agitation in the coming days, they cautioned. Shivamogga Tahsildar Nagaraj, speaking to *TNIE*, said that he has already given instructions to Kumsi police inspector to register a case immediately.

SIGN OF RELIEF

New cotton variety a boon for farmers of drought-prone areas

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

WHILE Karnataka is reeling under drought and farmers crying foul over their losses, those cultivating cotton have a reason to smile.

The drought seems to have proved helpful for research on cotton. Researchers from Indian Council for Agricultural Research (ICAR)-Central Institute for Cotton Research (CICR) conducted a pilot study of cultivating high density cotton crops in Yadgir and Dharwad

early this year on 175 hectares of land. They found high density cotton cultivation to be successful and helpful to farmers of drought-hit areas. With this success, the researchers have asked the union government to implement the same in the eight cotton growing states - Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka.

Elaborating on the pilot study, ICAR-CICR Director Dr YG Prasad told The New Indi-

an Express that usually three to eight quintals of cotton can be harvested from one acre. But with the high density cultivation, the yield will be 37-50% higher. Normally, 18,000 saplings are planted on one hectare, but under the pilot project, 74,000 saplings were planted. The sapling grows faster and in an aligned manner, so cotton picking is easier.

The saplings were grown in light soil (shallow soil where water holding capacity is also



less) in drought-prone areas and it was found to be ideal for cultivation. Ideally, a cotton plant will be ready for harvest in 180 days, but in the new format, it

was ready in 150 days. The distance between the saplings was 19x15cm, Prasad said.

Rajesh S Patil, principal scientist (genetics and plant breeding) and head of University of Agricultural Sciences Dharwad, said it is not BT cotton, but a new hybrid variety. Last year, the yield was good, but prices weren't. This year, there is a demand. But due to late sowing and poor monsoon, the crop has taken a hit by 30 to 40%. Ideally, per hectare 493kg lint can be harvested. One bale

is equal to 170kg lint (the fibrous coat covering the cotton seeds).

Patil said the plots where the high density crop was grown showed positive results. However, the final market report on overall cotton production will be known in February-March, when the markets open.

Against the usual practice, sowing in Karnataka was done in August this year. The new high density cultivation will help farmers, the researchers said.

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(N)/AEE(C)/2023-24/8040-43 Date: 27.12.2023

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPP Portal Only)

KPTCL invites bids from the eligible bidders through "KPP portal" to execute 02 Nos. of civil Engineering works, under the jurisdiction of the Superintending Engineer(Ele), Transmission (Maint), BMAZ North Circle, KPTCL, Bengaluru.

The detailed tender notification regarding details of works, general conditions of contract, NIT, Instructions to Tenderers (ITT), EMD, SD, etc., can be obtained by website <https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in> or on hyperlink and "e Procurement KPTCL" <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> on or after 29.12.2023 Other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer, Ele, Transmission (Maintenance), BMAZ North Circle, Ground Floor, KPTCL Office Complex, A.R. Circle, Bengaluru - 09. Ph: 080-22386686.

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No.: SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/AEE(C)/2023-24/7958-59 Date: 26.12.2023

SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through KPPP mode only)

KPTCL invites tenders for the various civil works in Hoody and Somanahalli divisions through KPPP mode only.

The details regarding participating in the tender can be obtained by website <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> on or after 28.12.2023.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer, Elecl., Tr. (M), BMAZ (South), KPTCL Office Complex, Ground Floor, A.R. Circle, Bengaluru-560 009. Ph: 080-22386686

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture (Yalahanka Zone), BBMP, Amruthahalli, Byatarayanapura, Bangalore - 560 092.

No.BBMP/YD/SADH/PR/147/2023-24 Date:22.12.2023

CORRIGENDUM

Ref.:Tender Notification No.: SADH(YLK)/TENDER/01/2023-24 Date:08.12.2023 with reference to the above tender notification, the calendar of events for the tenders have been extended as follows due to technical reasons.

Particulars	Published Date	Revised Date
Last date & time for receipt of bids in online portal	28.12.2023 upto 4.30 p.m.	06.01.2024 upto 4.30 p.m.
Opening of Technical bid	01.01.2024 at 11.30 a.m.	08.01.2024 at 11.30 a.m.
Opening of Financial bid	After approval of technical bid	After approval of technical bid

All other terms & conditions remains the same.

Sd/- Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture (Yalahanka Zone)

MAHILA CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.
Head Office at No.14, South End Road, Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru-560020, Phone : 080-23562229/23460051

POSSESSION NOTICE
Possession of Immovable Properties U/S 13(4) of SARFAESI Act 2002 r/w Rule 8(1)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Mahila Co-operative Bank Ltd., having its Head Office at No.14, South End Road, Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru-560020, being the secured creditor under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002(54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notice dated 09.10.2023 U/S 13(2) of the said Act calling upon the Borrowers and/or Guarantors listed hereunder to repay the amounts mentioned in the said notice of Rs. **55,90,704/-** (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs Ninty Thousand Seven Hundred and Four only) in IPL A/c No.EMI-386 as on 09.10.2023 together with further interest and other charges, etc., incurred from 10.10.2023 till the date of payment within 60 days from the receipt of the said notice.

Name of Borrowers/Guarantor	Descriptions of the Property	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Amount Outstanding in Rs.
Smt. Kamala .Y .H, W/o, D. Sudhakar, No.19, 5th Main Road, Near Rama Mandir., Ganganagara Extension, Bengaluru-560 032.	All that piece and parcel of Immovable property being land with residential building bearing Corporation No.14/1 in PID No.98-80-14/1 after the joinder into single Khata of Old Corporation No.14/1 and 14/2, situated at 4th Cross, Hebbal Mill, Ganganagara, BBMP Ward No. 98, Bengaluru, Measuring East to West 52'-0" Fts and North to South 15'-0" Fts having a total extent of 780 square feet and bounded on the : East by : Property of Gous Mohiddin, West by : Road, North by : Property No. 39, South by : Property of B T Gopal.	09.10.2023	22.12.2023	EMI-386 Rs. 55,90,704/- as on 09.10.2023, plus further interest and other charges.

Date : 22.12.2023
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Mahila Co-Operative Bank Ltd. Bangalore.

ICICI Bank Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanahalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

PHYSICAL POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ICICI Bank Limited under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

As the borrower failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Physical Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)	Name of Branch
1.	Preetham Kumar/ Susan/ LBBNG00004875066	Schedule-A Item No. 1 All That Piece and Parcel of The Properties Measuring 38 Guntas Out of Survey No. 40/1, Measuring 18 Guntas and Survey No. 40/2 Measuring 20 Guntas (inclusive of 1 Gunta Kharab) of Varanasi @ Jinkethimmanahalli Village, Thambuchetti Post, Bidarahalli, Bangalore East Taluk and Bounded On The By East: Property of Chamaraj, West: Property of Ramchandrapura, North : Road South: Property of J.C. Narayanappa, Item No. 2 All That Piece and Parcel of The Properties Measuring 30 Guntas Out of Survey No. 40/1, Measuring 10 Guntas And Survey No. 40/2 Measuring 20 Guntas (inclusive of 1 Gunta Kharab) of Varanasi @ Jinkethimmanahalli Village, Thambuchetti Post, Bidarahalli, Bangalore East Taluk and Bounded On The East: Property of Motappa West: Government Tank Nala and Properties of Motappa and Dobi Ramaiah North: Road South: Property Of J.C. Narayanappa, Schedule 'B' Property: 603 Sq Ft of Un-Divided Share, Right, Title and Interest and Ownership of Schedule 'A' Property, Schedule-C All That Piece and Parcel of Residential Apartment Bearing Flat No.111 In Purple Woods Apartments, Ground Floor, Constructed On The Schedule 'A' Property and Measuring 1312 Square Feet of Super Built Up Area With Vitrified Tile Flooring Inclusive of Proportionate Share In Common Areas Such as Passageway, Lobbies, Staircases, Lifts, Garden Space and Other Common Area and One Covered Car Parking Facility/ Date of Physical Possession On 22/12/2023.	24.06.2021 Rs. 62,30,301.00/-	Bangalore

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/ guarantors(s) are hereby given a 30 day notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date : December 28, 2023
Place : Bangalore

Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
(A scheduled commercial bank)

Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

Whereas you the below mentioned Borrower/s, Co-Borrower/s, Guarantor/s and Mortgagors have availed loans from Jana Small Finance Bank Limited, by mortgaging your immovable properties. Consequent to default committed by you all, your loan account has been classified as Non-performing Asset, whereas Jana Small Finance Bank Limited being a secured creditor under the Act, and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(2) of the said Act read with rule 2 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand notice calling upon the Borrower/s/ Co-Borrower/s/ Guarantor/s/ Mortgagors as mentioned in column No.2 to repay the amount mentioned in the notices with full interest thereon within 60 days from the date of notice, but the notices could not be served on some of them for various reasons.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	Loan Account No. & Loan Amount	Details of the Security to be enforced	Date of NPA & Demand Notice date	Amount Due in Rs. / as on
1	1) Mr. Suresh L, 2) Mrs. Bholakshmi	Loan Account No. 33649630000317 33649410000231 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/- Rs.63,00,00/-	Mortgaged Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel for Property No. 150200300701800114/112/112, measuring East to West 12.19 meters and North to South 9.14 meters, Situated at Lakshimpura Village, Chunchanakuppe Gram Panchayath, Bangalore South Block, Bangalore District and Bounded on: East by: Road, West by: New Houses, North by: Site No.38 & South by: Site No.40.	Date of NPA: 01-11-2023 Demand Notice Date: 26-12-2023	Rs.5,16,037.00 (Rupees Five Lakh Sixteen Thousand Thirty Seven Only) due as on 21-12-2023
2	1) Mr. Chandru S, 2) Mrs. Neela M, 3) Mrs. Mangalagowri M	Loan Account No. 45359630000254 45359410000359 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/- Rs.65,00,00/-	Mortgaged Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel for property bearing New Municipal Khatha No.179/345/201, Old Municipal Khatha No.201, measuring East to West 17 feet and North to South 43 feet totally measuring 731 Sq feet (out of 57 x 43), situated at Kottipura, Ramanagara Town, Ramanagara District, Ward No.23/1 and Bounded on: East by: Remaining portion of same number property, West by: House belongs to Nazzer, North by: Road, South by: Others Site.	Date of NPA: 01-11-2023 Demand Notice Date: 26-12-2023	Rs.5,53,645.01 (Rupees Five Lakh Fifty Three Thousand Six Hundred Forty Five and One Pasa Only) due as on 21-12-2023
3	1) Mrs. Ramya N, Mis. Angel Public School, 2) Mr. Venu Gopal R	Loan Account No. 45389420000112 Loan Amount: Rs.40,65,971/-	Mortgaged Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of vacant immovable property No.34, situated at Kamakshipalya Village, Saneguruvannahalli Dakale, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, presently bearing Site N.34, situated at 15th Main Road, Yrushabhavathi Nagar, Kamakshipalya, property comes under the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), Ward No.17, Measuring: East to West: 35 feet, North to South: 32 feet. Totally measuring: 1120 Sq.feet and Bounded on: East by: Property of Sri Mallappa, West by: Property of Sri Gindappa, North by: Property of Smt. M Nagarathnamma measuring 35X32 feet & South by: Road.	Date of NPA: 09-12-2023 Demand Notice Date: 26-12-2023	Rs.57,30,182.00 (Rupees Fifty Seven Lakh Thirty Thousand One Hundred Eighty Two Only) due as on 25-12-2023

Notice is therefore given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor as mentioned in Column No.2, calling upon them to make payment of the aggregate amount as shown in column No.6, against all the respective Borrower/ Co-Borrower within 60 days of Publication of this notice as the said amount is found payable in relation to the respective loan account as on the date shown in Column No. 6. It is made clear that if the aggregate amount together with future interest and other amounts which may become payable till the date of payment, is not paid, Jana Small Finance Bank Limited shall be constrained to take appropriate action for enforcement of security interest upon properties as described in Column No.4. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to Jana Small Finance Bank Limited against the Borrower/s/ Co-Borrower/s/ Guarantor/s/ Mortgagors of the said financials under the law, you are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said act, you are restrained/ prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of the secured asset without prior consent of Secured Creditor.

Date: 28.12.2023, Place: Bangalore & Bangalore Rural

Sd/- Authorised Officer, For Jana Small Finance Bank Limited

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified that, my clients have entered into an agreement to purchase the Schedule property from its owners:

(i) **SMT. SAVITHRAMMA**, W/o late K. Shivanna Gowda,
(ii) **SRI. G.R. SAMPATHGIRI**, S/o late G.S.Ramachar and his brother
(iii) **SRI. G.R. SREENIVASA MURTHY**.

If any person/s have any manner of right, title, interest or claim or charge or lien over the Schedule property or otherwise have any lawful objection/s for sale of the Schedule property by the aforesaid owners, they are hereby called upon to file their objections in writing, along with the photocopies of documents on which they rely, with the undersigned, within 21 days from the date of publication of this notice. Objection/s received thereafter will not be binding on my clients.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Municipal No.6 (PID No.49-30-6), No.7 (PID No.49-30-7), No.7/1 (PID No.49-30-7/1), measuring East to West 80 ft and North to South 40ft, in all measuring 3200 Sq.ft, together with a building thereon, situated at 1st main, Dattatreya Extension, K.G. Nagar, Bangalore and bounded on:

East by : Conservancy
West by : Main Road
North by : Private property
South by : Private property

Sd/- Goutam Chand .S.F
Advocate
Goutam Associates
No.60, 2nd Floor, Kanakapura Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560 004.

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No.938/CH/TLASS/EE(E)/AE(T)/2023-24/F-21/4090-92, 4093-95 & 4096-98 Date:26.12.2023

SHORT - TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

KPTCL invites sealed tenders in duplicate are invited from Manufacturer/Experience/Authorized service Agency for the below mentioned works.

(1) **Name of the work:** Repair/Overhauling of 110 KV GEC make Circuit Breaker of 100KV incomer line at 110/11KV Substation, Ankali. **Particulars:** Make: GEC Alstom, Voltage: 145 KV. Qty: 01No.

(2) **Name of the work:** Repair/Service of 12 Nos of M/s. ABB make capacitor cells of 110KV 20 MVA Capacitor bank at 110/11KV Substation Ankali. **Particulars:** Make: M/s. ABB,CN: 7.5 Mfd, In: 28.2A, Fn: 50Hz, QN:333.33 KVAR, Un: 1.184 KV In level: 38/95 KV. Qty: 12 No.

(3) **Name of the work:** Repair/Service of 05 Nos of M/s. Magnewin Energy make capacitor cells of 110KV 20 MVA Capacitor bank at 110/11KV Substation Ainapur. **Particulars:** Make: M/s. Magnewin Energy, CN: 16.85 Mfd, In: 47.0A, Fn: 50Hz, QN: 416.7 KVAR, Un: 8.87 KV In level: 50/125 KV. Qty: 05 No.

The under signed may be contacted for tender closing date and tender opening date and other condition within office hour on working days.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (E), TL & SS Division, KPTCL, Vidyuth Nagar, Chikkodi-591201, Ph: 08338-275173.

STATE BANK OF INDIA
DODDABALLAPURA ADB BRANCH
D. Cross, 4th Ward, Doddaballapura, Bengaluru Rural Dist-561203
email : sbl.05313@sbli.co.in

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002 (HEREIN AFTER CALLED THE 'ACT')

At your request, the Bank, has extended credit facility to the below mentioned borrower against secured assets through its, State Bank of India, Doddaballapura ADB Branch (Code : 05313), as under. The relevant particulars of the property on which you have created security interest by execution of security agreement, documents & creation of mortgage by way of deposit of the title deeds are also furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/credit facilities have become irregular the debt has been classified as Non Performing Asset in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrower in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. As the demand notice dated as mentioned below sent by register AD calling upon you, was unserved/ not acknowledged, this notice is now issued.

A/C No. 34623545366/ DRS
Name & Address of the Borrower: Mr. Venkatesh Babu Thota S/o Sri. Appa Rao Thota, a) No.602, 6th Floor, F-2 Block, Provident Well Thota S/o Sri. Marasandra-Doddaballapura Rural, Bangalore Rural Dist-561203, b) Also @ C/o: 3-23, Thotavari Ramalayang Street, Balliguda, Godavari, Andhra Pradesh-534134.

Mr. Venkatesh Babu Thota, Rep. by his POA Holder: Mr. PVS Bhanu Prakash House No.23-6-850/23, B-4, F-4, Beta Colony, Shalibanda, Hyderabad-500065.

Liability: Rs. 13,07,266/- (Rupees Thirteen Lacs Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty Six only) as on 02.12.2023 with further interest and incidental expenses, costs thereon.

NPA Date: 26.11.2023 Demand Notice Date: 04.12.2023

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and Parcel of Three bed room Apartment Flat bearing No. 802, on the 6th Floor in Block/Wing F-2, with 0.0263% (342.99sqft) of Undivided Share of the Residential complex, known as "PROVIDENT WEL WORTH CITY" (Flat No.602-Super built up-Area-1180Sqft) constructed in Sy.No.30.31.32.33.34 & 161, total extent of Land 41 Acres 13.75 Guntas, at Kadatanamalle Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk land bounded by: East: Land in Sy.No.160, Doddaballapura Road & Land in Sy.No. 162, 163, 164, 40 & 41. West: Land in Sy.No.41, 28.30/7(P), 31/4(P), 31/3(P), 31/2(P), 31/2(P), 31/1(P) & 34/2(P), North: Land in Sy.No.37, 38 & 160, South: Land in Sy.No.41 & 29.

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to the Bank's rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deems necessary under any other applicable provisions of law.

Date: 27.12.2023
Place: Doddaballapura

Sd/- Authorised Officer, State Bank of India, Doddaballapura ADB Branch

Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited
(Wholly Owned State Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
(CIN-U04010KA2002SGC030438)

No: CEE/CZ/EEC/F-28.3/2023-24/6992 Date: 20-12-2023

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION (Call: 2) (KPPP only)

Chief Engineer (Ele), O&M Zone, BESCOM, Chitradurga invites tender for the following Civil Engineering works coming under jurisdiction of Chitradurga Zone through KPPP only (Two cover system).

Sl No.	Name of the Work	Amount put to tender	EMD (in Rs.)	Category
1	Construction of Section Office building at BESCOM colony premises, Belaguru (Hosadurga Tq).	(Rs.in Lakhs) 34.00	68,000/-	OTHERS
2	Construction of Additional record room at 2nd floor of Division office building, BESCOM, Chitradurga.	15.00	18,750/-	ST
3	Construction of Sub-Division office building at BESCOM premises, Kodigenahalli in Madhugiri Tq.	115.00	2,00,000/-	OTHERS
4	Balance works pertaining to construction of O&M-1 and O&M-2 Section office building, works unit office and other allied works at BESCOM colony Premises, Gubbi.	27.50	55,000/-	OTHERS
5	Improvements to BESCOM sub-division office building with converting Gents toilet as store room and providing Gents toilet at terrace, water supply and other allied works at Gubbi.	10.00	25,000/-	OTHERS

The prospective bidders interested to participate are advised to register their user ID under website <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in>. log-in into KPPP on or after 29.12.2023.

For Electricity related complaints call: 1912 O & M Zone,
Download BESCOM Mitra Mobile APP BESCOM, Chitradurga.

Chief Engineer (Ele),

KERALA WATER AUTHORITY e-Tender Notice
Tender No : Re-301/2023-24/SE/PHC/MVPA

JIM-Providing FHTC to households in Ayyappancovil and Kanchayir Panchayaths. Package-IV-Supplying, laying and commissioning 350mm, 300mm,250mm DI/K9 Gravity main and 80mm GI pumping main, improvement work of Kalthotty sump & pump/house, Providing wash water disposal pipe line at WTP Alady and interconnection works. General Civil Work. EMD : Rs. 200000, Tender fee : Rs. 11025, Last Date for submitting Tender : 05-01-2024 04.00 pm, Phone : 04852835637
Website : www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in
KWA-JB-GL-6-1901-2023-24 Superintending Engineer, PH Circle,Muvattupuzha

Government of Karnataka
Water Resources Department
e-Procurement Short term Tender Notification
National Hydrology Project (World Bank Funded)

Chief Research Officer, Technical Services Division, Karnataka Engineering Research Station, Krishnarajasagara, Mandya dist. has invited the bids for following works: (1) IFT No:KERS/TSD/WQL/NHP/ RFQ-01 Dated:22-12-2023 through indent no:WRD/ 2023-24/IND0005. The name of work being: "Supply of Laboratory Equipments to Water Quality Labs (Level-II) of KERS, K.R.Sagara for the year 2023-24 under NHP". (2) IFT No:KERS/TSD/WQL/NHP/RFQ-02 Dated: 22.12.2023 through indent no:WRD/2023-24/BD/ WORK_INDENT27. The name of work being: "Upgradation of Water Quality Labs (Level-II) of KERS, K.R.Sagara for the Year 2023-24 under NHP". The bid details can be accessed through the e-procurement portal of Government of Karnataka <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> from 28.12.2023 onwards. Last date of bid submission is 09.01.2024 at 16.30 hours. Opening date of Technical bid is on 10.01.2024 at 10.30 hours and opening of financial bid is on 12.01.2024 at 10.30 hours. Contact the office mentioned below during office hours for further details.

Sd/-Chief Research Officer,
Technical Services Division, KERS, K.R.Sagara
Ph: 08236-297014e-mail: kerstds@yahoo.com
website: www.kers.co.in

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District Urban Development Cell, Deputy Commissioner Office, Hassan District.
Telephone No: 08172-234839 Email: pdhassandudc@gmail.com
No:Mun(2)CR/216/2023-24 Date: 22.12.2023

TENDER NOTIFICATION

The tender is invited in three cover system by using KW-4 & KW-6 standard document from eligible as on class-1 contractors for the processing and disposal of Legacy Waste at Yadapura Arasikere CMC, Nalluru Channarayapatna TMC and Sakaleshpura TMC Limits as per CPCB Guidelines under SBM 2.0 details below:- Indent No:e-procNo. DMA/2023-24/ OW/Work-indent No: 7923 Description of Work: Processing and disposal of Legacy Waste at Yadapura Arasikere CMC, Nalluru Channarayapatna TMC and Sakaleshpura TMC Limits as per CPCB Guidelines Amount put to Tender (Excluding GST) (Rs.in Lakhs): 1402.11 Interested contractors shall register on the e-procurement platform to participate in this tender. Contractors can download the tender documents from the E-Procurement platform (www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in). Tenders shall be submitted electronically at www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in EMD and Tenders Processing Fee shall also be paid electronically. The calendar of events & other information is as following:- Calendar of Events and other information Period of Completion: 13 months 11 days Earnest Money Deposit: Rs.15.00 Lakhs. Tender Pre-bid Meeting Date:19-01-2024 Last Date for submitting of completed tender documents in E-portal: 02-02-2024 Pre Qualification bid opening date: 05-02-2024 Opening date of Technical bid: 08-02-2024 Any changes in the tender conditions and postponement of calendar of events (if any) is notified only through e-Procurement portal and will not be published in any newspapers.

Sd/- C. Sathyabhama I.A.S. Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District, Hassan
ಬಹುಮಾನ/ಸಂ-ಸಂ/ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ/591/ಕೆಎಸ್‌ಎಂಎಂ/595/2023-24

TATA CAPITAL HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED
Branch Address: Tata Capital Housing Finance Limited, No 82/1, Ground Floor, Krishna Towers, Richmond Road, Bengaluru - 560025.

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13 (2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("Act") read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 ("Rules").

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Tata Capital Housing Finance Limited (TCHFL) under the Act and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Rules already issued detailed Demand Notice/Guarantor(s) (all singularly or together referred to "Obligors")/Legal Heir(s)/Legal Representative(s) listed hereunder, to pay the amount mentioned in the respective Demand Notice, within 60 days from the date of the respective Notice, as per details given below. Copies of the said Notices are served by Registered Post A.D. and are available with the undersigned, and the said Obligor(s)/Legal Heir(s)/Legal Representative(s), may, if they so desire, collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours. In connection with the above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Obligor(s)/Legal Heir(s)/Legal Representative(s) to pay to TCHFL, within 60 days from the date of the respective Notice(s), the amount indicated herein below against their respective names, together with further interest as detailed below from the respective dates mentioned below in column (d) till the date of payment and / or realisation, read with the loan agreement and other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Obligor(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following Secured Asset(s) have been mortgaged to TCHFL by the said Obligor(s) respectively.

Loan Account No.	Name of Obligor(s)/ Legal Heir(s)/Legal Representative(s)	Total Outstanding Dues (Rs.) as on below date*	Date of Demand Notice and date of NPA
TCHHL 0491000100182282 & TCHIN 0491000100194198	Mr. Abhishek Saha (Borrower) and Mrs. Deepika (Co-Borrower)	Rs. 53,62,528/- As on 20-12-2023	20-12-2023 and 04-12-2023

Property Description: SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY All that piece and parcel of Converted property bearing Sy.No.13, Converted Vide., Order No.B.DIS ALN SR. (NA) 16/2005-06, dated 02-01-2006 passed by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore, situated at Chikkabettahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk presently within the administrative jurisdiction of BBMP measuring 0-13 Guntas (East to West 170 Feet and North to South 75 Feet 1234 Square Feet totally measuring 1400 Square Feet) and bounded on the East by: Property belongs to Smt. Shaheen Banu. West by: Property belongs to Mr.D.Selvaraj and others. North by: Road and Private Property. South by: Private Property. SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY Residential Flat bearing Flat No.303, in the Third Floor of the building known as "PROSPERITY HOMES BLISS" constructed on Schedule 'A' prope with super built up area of 1004.18 Sq.ft, together with 249.07 Sq.ft containing Two bed room, along with one car parking with undivided share of the land comprised in Schedule 'A' Property.

TCHHL 0883000100178409 & TCHIN 0883000100179899	Mr. Mohamed Shafi M (Borrower) and Mr. Mohamed Rafi, (Co-Borrower)	Rs.71,55,578/- As on 21-12-2023	21-12-2023 and 04-12-2023
Property Description: ITEM NO.1. All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Gramatanu Kaneshamuri No.42, Old Khatha No.426, New Khatha No.308, Situated at GANIGARA STREET, KADUGODI VILLAGE, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), Bengaluru. Measuring East to West: 34 Feet and North to South: 72 Feet, in all measuring 2448 Square Feet and bounded on the: East by: House belongs to Hayath Khan, West by: 4 feet Road and House belongs to Ameer Jhan, North by: Potter Puttamma's Property, South by: House belongs to Ekhal @ Ekhal Edrisimiya. ITEM NO. 2. All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Khatha No.305, Old Khatha No. 218/426, Kaneshamuri No. 42, Khatha Endorsement No 690/2 001-02, Situated at GANIGARA STREET, KADUGODI VILLAGE, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), Bengaluru. Measuring East to West: 34 Feet and North to South 24 Feet, in all measuring 816 Square Feet and bounded on the: East by: House belongs to Hayath Khan, West by: House belongs to Yajaz Pasha, North by: House belongs to Akther Begum, South by: Road.			

*With further interest, additional interest at the rate as more particularly stated in respective Demand Notices dated mentioned above, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and/or realization. If the said Obligor(s) shall fail to make payment to TCHFL as aforesaid, then TCHFL shall proceed against the above Secured Asset(s)/Immovable Property(ies) under Section 13(4) of the said Act and the applicable Rules entirely at the risk of the said Obligor(s)/Legal Heir(s)/Legal Representative(s) as to the costs and consequences. The said Obligor(s)/Legal Heir(s)/Legal Representative(s) are prohibited under the said Act to transfer the aforesaid Secured Asset(s)/Immovable Property(ies), whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of TCHFL. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the Act or Rules made thereunder shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

For Tata Capital Housing Finance Limited
Sd/- Authorised Officer
Contact Address: 11th Floor, Tower A, Peninsula Business Park, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai 400 013 | Contact No. (022) 66089383.

Date : 28/12/2023
Place : Bangalore



INVITATION FOR BIDS (RE-TENDER)

ITBTST/2023-24/SE0001/CALL-2

DATE : 27.12.2023

Karnataka Innovation and Technology Society invites e-procurement re-tender from eligible reputed bidders in two pan bid system (Techno-Commercial & Financial Bid) in e-Procurement Mode from "Man Power Agencies" for out sourcing the services of **Attendees and Drivers (Group-D)**. The man-power requirement for KITS Office is given below:

Unit	Total No. of personnel required		Bid Value (Rupees in Lakhs)	EMD at 1.5% on Bid Value (Rupees in Lakhs)
	Attendees	Drivers		
KITS-Bengaluru	10 Nos.	5 Nos.	32.89	0.49

Details are available at <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> & <https://itbtst.karnataka.gov.in>. Last date for submission of documents: on or before 04.01.2024 up to 5.00 PM.

Sd/-

Managing Director

KARNATAKA INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY SOCIETY (KITS)

Department of Electronics, IT, BT and S&T, Government of Karnataka

BMTc Central Offices Building, TTMC 'B' Block, 4th Floor, Shanthinagar, KH Road, Bangalore-560027. India Phone : 080-22231006/8. <https://itbtst.karnataka.gov.in>

DIPR/CP/2737/AKAR/2023-24



RBL BANK

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Regd. Office: 1st Lane, Shahupuri, Kolhapur-416001.

Branch: Prestige Tower, Ground Floor 99 & 100, Residency Road, Bangalore 560025, Karnataka

Securitisation Notice under S. 13(2) of SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

We, RBL Bank Limited the secured creditor of **Applicant & Co-Applcant mentioned in below mentioned columns**, do hereby inform you all that your account has been classified as Non-performing Account (NPA) in pursuant to the defaults in making payment / repayment of principal and interest and the amount mentioned in the below mentioned columns is now due and payable by you as on the date of the notice, together with further interest thereon to RBL Bank Ltd. In spite of our repeated demands, you have failed and neglected to make payment/amount(s) outstanding in your account(s) and you have not discharged your liabilities.

We, therefore, issued notice under section 13(2) of Chapter III of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, demanding payment of the amounts together with further interest applicable at the contracted rates, costs, charges, other moneys to discharge your liabilities in full within 60 days from the date of the notice.

Borrower/Co-Borrower/Guarantor Name and Addresses / Loan No.	Details of the assets charges to the Bank	NPA Date & Amount O/s
1. M/s. Sri Lakshmi Developers, Rep By Its Prop: Mr. Venkatesh Naidu , No.25, GF, 18th Main, 6th Cross, Narayana Gowda Layout, Taverekere BTM, 1st Stage, Bangalore-560029. (Borrower)	All that part and parcel of property bearing House list No.1/A, Gramatana Khatha No.988, Old No.353/25, of Sarakki Group Panchayath, situated at Haraganahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently comes under the limits of BBMP and bounded on: East by :site No.3; West by : Road;North by : Vacant Land; South by : House of Siddadri Naidu, Property measuring East to West : 60+40/2 Ft North to South: 60 Feet, in total admeasuring 3000 Sq.Ft.	05.11.2023 & Rs.1,63,70,697.95 (Rupees One Crore Sixty Three Lakhs Seventy Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Seven and Paise Ninety Five Only), as on 16.12.2023,
2. Mr. Venkaesh Naidu , No.47/48, II Cross, 8th Main Road, Narayana Gowda Layout, BTM I Stage, Taverekere, Bangalore -560029. (Co-borrower)	The property belongs to Mrs. Tejavathi.K	
3. Mrs. Tejavathi , No.47/48, II Cross, 8th Main Road, Narayana Gowda Layout, BTM I Stage, Taverekere, Bangalore -560029. (Co-borrower & Mortgagor)		

Loan No. 809002203972

Additional Interest: The Bank reserves the right to charge additional interest at the rate of 2.00% on occurrence of such events as specified in the Agreements or as may be deemed necessary in the Banks' sole its discretion.

Now the authorized officer of RBL Bank Ltd. do hereby publish the contents of the above demand notice as provided under the Rules for discharge your liabilities in full, failing which, we shall, without any further reference, be constrained to enforce the following security created by you in our favour by exercising any or all the rights given under the said Act.

Now the authorized officer of RBL Bank Ltd. do hereby publish the contents of the above demand notice as provided under the Rules for discharge your liabilities in full, failing which, we shall, without any further reference, be constrained to enforce the following security created by you in our favour by exercising any or all the rights given under the said Act. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to RBL Bank against the borrower and the guarantors of the said financial under law. You are further requested to note that as per section13(13) of the said Act, you are restrained/prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of above secured asset, without our prior written consent.

Sd/-

Authorised Officer

For RBL Bank Ltd.

Date : 28-12-2023



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Union Bank of India

Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore North # 1/1, 1st Floor, "Jeevan Sampige", 2nd Main, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560003 E-mail: arb.bangaluru@unionbankofindia.co.in

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for 15 days Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic Possession which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Union Bank of India (secured Creditor) will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and " whatever there is" on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union Bank of India from the below mentioned Borrowers and Guarantors. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder:

1. Branch : Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore North : Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applcant and Guarantor: (1) M/S SLM Enterprises No 76/1, Pettechinappa Industrial Estate, 1st Main Road, Kaveripura, Kamakshipalya, Bangalore 560079. (2) Mr Sunil Kumar Singh (proprietor- M/S SLM Enterprises) S/o Raja Ram Singh No 59, 9th Cross, Pettechinappa Industrial Estate, Sajjapalya, Bangalore 560079. Guarantor: Mr Rajkumar Chowdary S/o Mr Durga Nand Chowdary No 65/2, 4th Main, 14th Cross, Kamakshipalya, Basaveshwara Nagar, Bangalore 560079

Amount due: Rs. 38,20,180/-(Rupees Thirty eight lakh twenty thousand one hundred eighty only) as on interest debited till 30/11/2023 + Future interest + Other expenses.

Description of Immovable secured assets to be Sold: Urban Land-Belonging To Mr Sunil Kumar Singh S/o Raja Ram Singh - All that Piece and Parcel of Immovable Vacant Site No 13, Sy No 83/5, old Sy No 83/1, Chinaapa Layout, Arishinkunte Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District Measuring East To West 35 Ft And North To South 40 Ft Totally Measuring 1400 Sft, Boundaries East By-Road, West By-Private Property North By: Site No 12 and South By: Site No 14

Reserve Price : Rs. 19,85,000/- EMD : Rs. 1,98,500/- Bid Multiplier : Rs.1,00,000/-

Type of Possession : Symbolic Possession

2. Branch : Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore North : Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applcant and Guarantor: (1) M/s Rajlakshmi Diamond Polish Prop Mr Rajkumar Chowdary, No 309, 4th Main, 14th Cross, Kaveripura, Kamakshipalya, Bangalore Karnataka 560089. (2) Mr Rajkumar Chowdary No.65/2, 4th Cross, Kamakshipalya, Basaveshwara Nagar, Bangalore-560079. Guarantor: Mr. Sunil Kumar Singh S/o.Raja Ram Singh, No.59, 9th Cross, Pettechinappa Industrial Estate, Sajjapalya, Bangalore-560079

Amount due: Rs. 36,14,385/-(Rupees Thirty six lakh fourteen thousand three hundred eighty five only) as on interest debited till 30/11/2023 + Future interest + Other expenses.

Description of Property: All that piece and parcel of Immovable Vacant site No.07, Sy No.83/5, Old Sy No.83/1.Chinnapa Layout, Arishinkunte Village, KasabaHobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District Measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet Totally Measuring 1200 Sq.ft in the name of Mr.Rajkumar Chowdary and bounded by:East By: Pvt Property, West By: Road, North By: Site No.06, South By: Site No.08

Reserve Price : Rs. 17,01,000/- EMD : Rs. 1,70,100/- Bid Multiplier : Rs.1,00,000/-

Type of Possession : Symbolic Possession

3. Branch : Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore North : Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applcant and Guarantor: (1) Mrs Navdeep Sachdeva, W/o Mr Manpreet Sachdeva, Flat No.301,3rd Floor, Golden Homes Apartment, 7th main, Sadananda Nagar, NGEF layout Benniganahalli Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore-560038. Also at : No.16,3rd A Cross, HAL, 2nd Stage, Indira Nagar, Bangalore-560008. Co-Applcant (2) Mr Manpreet Sachdeva, S/O Jagjeet Singh Sachdeva Flat No.301,3rd Floor, Golden Homes Apartment, 7th main, Sadananda Nagar, NGEF layout, Benniganahalli Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore-560038. Also at : No.16,3rd A Cross, HAL, 2nd Stage, Indira Nagar, Bangalore-560008.

Amount due: Rs. 44,73,874/-(Rupees Forty four lakh seventy three thousand eight hundred seventy four Only) as on interest debited till 30/11/2023 + Future interest + Other expenses

Description of Property: Schedule A Property : All that part and parcel of Residential Flat situated at Khata No 128/4-1, PID No 84-240-128/4-1 earlier property No 35/1, Flat No.301, Third Floor, Golden Homes, Benniganahalli, Sadananda Nagar, NGEF Layout presently known as 1st Main Road, Krishnaiyana Palya, Bangalore East. Super built up area of 1435 sq.ft with 301.923 sq.ft of undivided share with one car parking facility and bounded by : On the North by: M Srinivas Property, on the South by: Road, on the East by: M V Balakrishna Property, on the West by: K Rajashekar Reddy Property.

Reserve Price : Rs. 55,30,000/- EMD : Rs. 5,53,000/- Bid Multiplier : Rs.1,00,000/-

Type of Possession : Symbolic Possession

The details of encumbrances, if any known to the Secured Creditor : Nil. However the interested bidders are requested to verify the EC & other relevant Documents at their end before bidding for the property/ies in the proposed e-auction.

Date of Sale Notice : 26.12.2023

Account bearing Number 800001980050000 A/C Name : Inward RTGS IFSC Code : UBIN0580007

Name of the Contact Person & Contact No. Chief Manager Mr. Moorthi.V

Contact No. 9003223669,Sr.Manager Mr.Suresh. G Contact No.9963166155

Last date of EMD submission:

On or before the commencement of e-auction

Date & Time of E-auction: 25.01.2024

from 11.00 A.M to 5.00 P.M with 10 min unlimited auto extensions

Note: (1) The intending purchaser required to register through <https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auCTIONhome/ibapi/index.jsp>

The amount of EMD (10%) should be paid through the Website www.mstcecommerce.com and the balance amount of sale price should be paid through the Account Number mentioned in the Sale Notice. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided as mentioned below banks website and e-auction agent website. Digital Signature is not mandatory.

www.unionbankofindia.co.in

www.mstcecommerce.com.

Place: Bengaluru

Date: 26.12.2023

Sd/- Authorised Officer

Union Bank of India.



PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Mr. Jabir Ali Khan, aged 62 years, Son of Late Raza Ali Khan, at No. 10/1, Ibrahim Sha Complex, S.P. Road, Bengaluru, 560 002 hereby notifies to general public that he has lost certain original documents accompanied with 20 A4 sized blank white sheets which are duly signed by him and the same has been reported as per Lost Report No. 0862440/2023 dated 25.12.2023.

Any person's intending to get into any sort of transaction with Mr. Jabir Ali Khan shall personally and physically interact with him and shall duly satisfy himself regarding the authenticity of transaction and sanction from Mr. Jabir Ali Khan; any transaction which is without the knowledge of Mr. Jabir Ali Khan or without the reference to this Public Notice shall be treated as null and void and there cannot be any claims against Mr. Jabir Ali Khan in any manner whatsoever. Hence any person, individuals, financial institutions or body corporate whosoever transacting with Mr. Jabir Ali Khan shall contact him or with the undersigned advocates.

Sd/- Mr. MOHAMMED ARIK KHAN MAKKI

MECCI & MECCI, Advocates

No.23-A, Ground Floor, HHS & HHS Complex, Cubbonpet Main Road,

Bengaluru-560002. Mobile: 9620320382



PUBLIC NOTICE

LOSS OF DOCUMENT

(1) Mrs Anitha Abraham, (2) Mrs Sunita George, and (3) Mrs Vinita George, all three daughters of late Mrs Susy George and having permanent residence at No. 57, PID No. 92-1-57, Nandigudi Road, Benson Town, Bengaluru-560046 (collectively, the "Owners") are the joint and absolute owners of the immovable property bearing Municipal No. 57, PID No. 92-1-57 measuring 5,175 square feet (approximately 480.77 square meters) of site area, along with a residential building thereon, situated at Nandigudi Road, Benson Town Post, Ward No. 62, Bengaluru - 560046 (the "Property").

The Owners have recently become aware that the original deed of gift dated 20 March 2020 executed by Mrs Susy George in favour of Ms Ashwini Abraham, and registered as document No. KCH-1-06700-2019-20 stored in G.D No. KCH0567 at the office of the Senior Sub-Registrar, Kacharakanaahalli (Gandhinagar) (the "Original Gift Deed") in relation to the Property, is missing from their custody and the same is not traceable.

Any person having information or possession of the Original Gift Deed pertaining is duty-bound to return the said document to the Owners.

Sd/-

Anitha Abraham

198, Nandidurg Road,

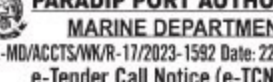
Bangalore 560046

Email: ashwinibrahams35@yahoo.com

Phone: 9731270037

Place: Bengaluru

Date: 27.12.2023



PARADIP PORT AUTHORITY

MARINE DEPARTMENT

No.-MD/ACCTS/WNR/17/2023-1592 Date: 22.12.2023

e-Tender Call Notice (e-TCN)

Name of the work: Providing Assistance for Berthing / Un-berthing of Vessels and other Marine Operations at Paradip Port Authority for a period of 03 years.

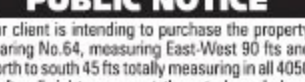
Estimated cost: **Rs.2,93,68,070/-**. Last date & time of submission of tender through on-line bidding is **17:00 Hours on dt. 15/01/2024**. For further details, please log on to the Website : <https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app>.

Sd/- Deputy Conservator,

Paradip Port Authority

PPA/PR/72/2023-2024

dt.26.12.2023



PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client is intending to purchase the property bearing No.64, measuring East-West 90 fts and North to south 45 fts totally measuring in all 4050 sq fts all rights apparent there to bounded on: East: Road, West: Site no. 99, North: Road, South: Site no. 65 situated at Vayalkaval Layout, Vayalkaval, Bangalore from its owner Smt D.C.R. Kusum, Aged about 68 years, D/o Late Col C Rudrapura, R/o no 4341, Redwood Ave, Unit 6, Marina Del rey, CA 90292, USA. If any person having interest or right in above noted property kindly contact with records within 7 days from the date of notice. Failing which my client would be advised to proceed with transaction.

S.Y KUMBAR, SHIVASHANKAR S.K.,

PREETI KAREDDY

Advocates & Legal Consultants

#104/1, "Shivaganga" Ground Floor, 1st D Main, Jakksandra, Koramangala 1st Block,

Bangalore-560034.

Cell No.9900245450,990072771



TAMIL NADU CO-OPERATIVE SUGAR FEDERATION LTD

Avinililam, 1st Floor, 3A, Pasumpun Muthuramalinganar Salai, Nandanam, Chennai-600 035.

Phone : 044-24330083, 24344177 | E-Mail: tamilnaducoopsugarfederation@gmail.com

Short Re-e -Tender (on-line) Notice for sale of 282783 Quintals of S-30 grade sugar from Co-operative and Public Sector Sugar Mills in Tamil Nadu

On line bids are invited through Re-e-tender from Sugar Merchants / Wholesale dealers through short e-tender portal <https://tntenders.gov.in> for sale of **282783 Quintals of S-30 grade Sugar**. The quantity wise category of sugar as detailed below:-

Sl. No.	Quantity wise category of Sugar (in Quintal)	Sl. No.	Quantity wise category of Sugar (in Quintal)
1	Upto 100	4	Upto 2500
2	" 500	5	Above - 5000
3	" 1000		

The last date for submission of bids is 03.01.2024 at 12.00 Noon. Bids will be opened on 04.01.2024 at 12.30 PM. Bids in physical form will not be accepted. All other details including detailed NIT (Notice Inviting Tender) visit the e-tender portal website <https://tntenders.gov.in>

Place : Chennai - 35

Date : 26/12/2023

DiPR/6830/Tender/2023

Managing Director



ICICI Bank

Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanahalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

Whereas

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ICICI Bank Limited under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) R/w Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, (on underlying pool assigned to ICICI Bank by Dewan Housing Finance Ltd.) in relation to the enforcement of security in respect of a housing loan facility granted pursuant to a loan agreement entered into between DHFL and the borrower, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

As the borrower failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Number (Loan Account Number) (DHFL Old LAN & ICICI New LAN)	Description of Property/ Date of Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Notice (Rs.)	Name of Branch
1.	Feroz Haneef/ Devleena Sarkar/ QZNY00005005534	Schedule 'A' Property All That Piece and Parcel of Vacant Site Bearing No.2/3B, BBMP Katha No.4/2/3B, Comprised in Residentially Converted Land Bearing Sy No.2/3B (Converted Vide Official Memorandum Dated 15.05.2010 Bearing No.ALN (C)SR (KH)16/2010-11 Issued By The Office of Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore), Thanisandra Village, Kr Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore District Admeasuring East To West On The Northern Side: 129 Ft., 5 Inches On The Southern Side: 128 Ft., and North To South: On The Western Side: 89 Feet 10 Inches On The Eastern Side: 90 Feet 3 Inches In All Measuring 11,583 Sq. Ft., And Bounded as Follows: On The East By: Remaining Land In The Same Survey Number West By:40 Feet Road Formed In Sy Nos.1/1 & 2/3B and The Land In Sy No.1/1 Thereafter North By: Land Bearing Sy No.2/3A South By: Land Bearing Sy No.2/4 Schedule-B 456.27 Sq.ft of Undivided Right and Interest In The Schedule 'A' Property, Schedule C The Apartment Bearing No.403 On The Fourth Floor of The Build NG To Be Known as "Sanskriti Pride" Constructed On The Schedule 'A' Property, Measuring Super Built Up Area of 1340 Sq.ft With Two Bedrooms, Living-cum-drawing Room, Pooja Room, Two Toilets, A Kitchen, With Vitrified Tiles Flooring, Inclusive of Proportionate Share of Common Areas Along With Two Covered Car Parking Spaces and Bounded as Follows: East By: Open To Sky West By: Corridor and There After Flat No.402 North By: Open To Sky South By:open To Sky and There After Flat No.404/date of Physical Possession On/22/12/2023.	15.07.2022 Rs. 39,88, 546.00/-	Bangalore

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)' guarantors (s) are hereby given a 30 day notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date : December 28, 2023

Place: Bangalore & Bhatkal

Authorized Officer

ICICI Bank Limited



RELIANCE COMMERCIAL FINANCE LIMITED

Branch Office Address- No 39, Ffk Tower, 30th Cross,Tilak Nagar, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore 560041, Corporate & Registered Office:- Reliance Commercial Finance Limited, Ruby Tower,11th Floor, North West Wing, Plot No.29, J.K.Sawant Marg, Dadar, Mumbai-400028,

APPENDIX- IV A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)]

Public Notice For E-Auction Co-Sale (Appendix – IV A) (Rule 8(6))

Sale of Immovable property mortgaged to **M/s. Reliance Commercial Finance Limited**, Corporate Office at: Ruby 11th Floor, North-West wing, Plot No.29, Sengati Bapat Marg Dadar(west), Mumbai- 400028, (Maharashtra) and Branch Office at:- Reliance Commercial Finance Limited, No 39,FFK TOWER,30TH CROSS,TILAK NAGAR, BANNERGHATTA ROAD,BANGALORE 560041 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002(hereinafter "Act"), Whereas the Authorized Officer ("AO") of **M/s. Reliance commercial Finance Limited** had taken the possession of the following properties pursuant to the notice issued U/S 13(2) of the Act in the following loan accounts/prospect nos, with a right to sell the same on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS & AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" for realization of M/s. Reliance commercial Finance Limited dues, The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the website: www.bankeauctions.com.

Borrower(s) Co-Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Description of the Immovable property/ Secured Asset	Date of Physical Possession	Reserve Price	Date of Inspection of property
(Loan A/C No. RHHLBAN00946922 Bangalore Branch: 1) Sanjay S Kamath, Having Address At: D No 15-7-349/2, Sulasthala, Planters Lane Kadri Road Kodialabai, Mangalore -575003. 2) LAXMAN SRIDHAR KAMATH Having Address At: Door No 4-6-57 Sridhar Kudmal, Ranga Rao Road Karangalipady, Mangalore-015003. 3)GOPAL KAMATH AND COMPANY, 4)SULAKSHANA AGENCIES, 5)SANTHOSH S KAMATH, Having Address At: No.119/2 Katha No.92/180 Villa, No.180/28 D(Also Known As D) Vaishnavi Anantya,S Madelahli Vlg Sarjapur Hobli Anekal Tk,Bangalore, Karnataka-562125	30.06.2021 & RS. 2,29,70,179/- (Rupees Two Crore Twenty Nine Lakh Seventy Thousand One Seventy Nine Only) As On 28th June 2021	All The Piece And Parcel Of The Residential Property Situated At Property Bearing No.119/2 Katha No.92/180 Villa No.180/28 D(Also Known As D)Vaishnavi Anantya, S Madelahli Vlg Sarjapur Hobli Anekal Tk Bangalore, Karnataka-562125.	09.12.2023	Rs. 2,77,51,892/- (Rupees Two Crore Seventy Seven Lakh Fifty One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety Two Only)	31ST JANUARY 2024 Between 11:00 Am To 3:00 Pm
			Total Outstanding As On Date 26th December 2023 Rs. 2,94,69,824/- (Rupees Two Crore Ninety Four Lakh Sixty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred And Twenty Four Only)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)- Rs. 27,75,190/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakh seventy Five Thousand One Hundred and Ninety Only)	EMD Last Date 01ST FEBRUARY 2024 Up To 5:00 Pm Date/ Time of E-Auction 02ND FEBRUARY 2024 Between 10:00 Am To 4:00 Pm And With Extension Of 5 Minutes

Mode Of Payment :-

All payment shall be made by demand draft in favour of "M/s. Reliance commercial Finance Limited" payable at BANGALORE or through RTGS/NEFT The accounts details are as follows: a) Name of the account:- RELIANCE COMMERCIAL FINANCE LIMITED b) Name of the Bank:- Bank of Baroda, c) Account No:- 2910020000442, d) IFSC Code:- BARB0MIDBDR (5th Character is Zero).

TERMS & CONDITIONS OF ONLINE E- AUCTION SALE:-

1. The Property is being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS, WHATEVER THERE & WITHOUT RECOURSE BASIS". As such sale is without any kind of warranties & indemnities.

2. For details, help, procedure and online bidding on e-auction prospective bidders may contact the Service Provider M/S C1 India Pvt Ltd, Plot No- 68, 3rd floor Sector 44 Gurgaon Haryana -122003 (Contact no. 7291981124,25,26)Support Email – Support@bankeauctions.com, Mr. Bhavik Pandya Mob. 8866682937. Email: Gujarat@c1india.com

3. For further details and queries, contact Authorised Officer: Mr. M.SENTHILKUMAR * Mobile. No. 8072204390

4. This publication is also 30 (Thirty) days notice to the Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantors of the above said loan account pursuant to rule 8(6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, about holding of auction sale on the above-mentioned date / place.

PLEASE REFER THE WEBSITE FOR DETAILED TERMS AND CONDITIONS (Use Code: 147640 and see the NIT Document) (<https://www.bankeauctions.com>)

Place: Bangalore

Date: 27.12.2023

Sd/- Authorized Officer

Reliance Commercial Finance Ltd.



RBL BANK

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Registered Office : 1st Lane, Shahupuri, Kolhapur-416001

Branch office at: III Floor, Prestige Tower, 99 & 100, Residency Road Bangalore 560025.

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSET CHARGED TO THE BANK UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 ("SARFAESI ACT") READ WITH RULE 8(6) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002 ("RULES")

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower, Guarantor (s) and Mortgagor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged (collectively referred as "Property") to RBL Bank Ltd., ("Secured Creditor/Bank"), the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank under section 13(4) & section 14 of the SARFAESI Act read with the Rules, as detailed hereunder, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", "Whatever there is" and "Without Recourse Basis" on 06.02.2024, for recovery of the Bank's outstanding dues plus interest as detailed hereunder under Rules 8 and 9 of the Rules by inviting bids as per below e-auction schedule:

Brief Description of Parties, Outstanding dues and Property

S. No	Name of the Borrower & Guarantor (s)	Details of Property(ies) & Mortgagor	Amount as per Demand Notice & Possession Notice under SARFAESI Act	Inspection Date and Time	Reserve Price EMD Bid Increase Amount	Date/ Time of e-Auction	Last Date for Receipt of Bids along with documents	Name of Authorised Officer/ Phone No/ Email id
1	M/S. Satyanam Timbers (Borrower)	Rep By Its Partner, Mr. Vijay Kumar G Patel, Thindlu Main Road, Nanjappa Cross, Vidyanarayanapura, Bangalore 560097.	All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site No.2, Katha No.69/2/3 and Site No.3, bearing Katha No.69/7/2, situated at Thindlu Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, presently comes under the limits of BBMP and bounded on: SITE NO.2: East by : Site No.3; West by : Remaining portion of Property & Gayatri's Property; North by : Road; South by : Water Tank, Measuring East to West 25 Feet, North to South : 108+117.5/2ft in total measuring 2818.75 Sq.Ft. SITE NO.3: East by : Muniyamma's Property; West by : site No.2; North by : Road; South by : Water Tank, Measuring East to West 25 Feet, North to South : 117.5+127/2ft in total measuring 3056 Sq.Ft.	Rs. 3,89,64,277.40/- (Rupees Three Crores Eighty Nine Lakhs Sixty Four Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Seven and Paise Forty Only) as on 18.03.2023	05.02.2024 between 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Rs.4,46,00,000/- (Rupees Four Crores Forty Six Lakhs Only) EMD: Rs.44,60,000/- (Rupees Forty Four Lakhs and Sixty Thousand Only)	06.02.2024 11:30 A.M To 12:30 P.M With unlimited extensions of 5 min. Each	On or Before 05.02.2024 upto 5:00 P.M.
2	Mr.Vijay Kumar G Patel (Co-Borrower & Mortgagor)	No.A1, Hari Om Apartments, II Main, III Cross, Chamundeswari Layout, Vidyanarayanapura, Bangalore 560 097. Also At: Mr.Vijay Kumar G Patel, Partner, M/S. Satyanam Timbers, Thindlu Main Road, Nanjappa Cross, Vidyanarayanapura, Bangalore 560097	No.A1, Hari Om Apartments, II Main, III Cross, Chamundeswari Layout, Vidyanarayanapura, Bangalore 560 097. Also At: Mr. Mrs. Meenakshi Patel, Partner, M/S. Satyanam Timbers, Thindlu Main Road, Nanjappa Cross, Vidyanarayanapura, Bangalore 560097	Date of Demand notice: 21.03.2023.	Date of Physical Possession 12.12.2023.	Bid Increase amount: 50,000.00 (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only)		
3	Mrs. Meenakshi Patel (Co-Borrower & Mortgagor)	No.A1, Hari Om Apartments, II Main, III Cross, Chamundeswari Layout, Vidyanarayanapura, Bangalore 560 097. Also At: Mr. Mrs. Meenakshi Patel, Partner, M/S. Satyanam Timbers, Thindlu Main Road, Nanjappa Cross, Vidyanarayanapura, Bangalore 560097	No.A1, Hari Om Apartments, II Main, III Cross, Chamundeswari Layout, Vidyanarayanapura, Bangalore 560 097.					
4	Mr. Saurav Patel (Co-Borrower),	No.A1, Hari Om Apartments, II Main, III Cross, Chamundeswari Layout, Vidyanarayanapura, Bangalore 560 097.						

1	M/S. Ultra Ceramics, (Borrower)	Rep By Its Prop: Mr. Bharat K Doshi, No.2336, K.R.Road, Bsk II Stage, Bangalore 560 070.	All that piece and parcel of property bearing Flat No.402 (FO-2), in the Fourth Floor of the building known as "PRABHAWATHI SRI KRISHNA" having built up area of 1074 Sq.Ft, consisting of Two bed Rooms and one covered car parking area in stilt floor and bounded on the East by : Private Property; West by: Corridor; North by: Flat No.401; South by: Open Space; Together with 232 Sq.Ft of undivided share, right, title, interest in the Site No.4, Site No.4-A, Site No.5, formed in Sy.No.36/1 of Putterhalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now under the Limits of BBMP, Ward No.187, measuring 86.3+88*30 feet, 87.2+87.6*35 feet, 87.6+88*30 feet respectively in all 8307.5 Sq.Ft and commonly bounded on East by : Lingaraj's Property; West by : Road; North by : Plot No.3 belongs to Smt.K.Sunanda; South by : Plot No.6 belongs to Mr.K.Upendra.	Rs. 35,99,817.74/- (Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Ninety Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Seventeen and Paise Seventy Four Only), as on 20.03.2023,	05.02.2024 between 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Rs.60,25,000/- (Rupees Sixty Lakhs and Twenty Five Thousand Only) EMD: Rs.6,02,500/- (Rupees Six Lakhs Two Thousand and Five Hundred Only)	06.02.2024 11:30 A.M To 12:30 P.M With unlimited extensions of 5 min. Each	On or Before 05.02.2024 upto 5:00 P.M.
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Terms and Conditions:

(1) The E-Auction Sale will be online through e-auction portal. The interested bidders are advised to go through the detailed terms and conditions of auction available on the website of <https://www.bankeauctions.com> & <https://www.rblbank.com/pdf-pages/news> before submitting their bids and taking part in e-auction.

(2) It shall be the responsibility of the bidders to inspect and satisfy themselves about the Property and specification before submitting the bid.

(3) The interested bidders shall submit their EMD details and documents through Web Portal: <https://www.bankeauctions.com> (the user ID & Password can be obtained free of cost by registering name with <https://www.bankeauctions.com>) through Login ID & Password. The EMD shall be payable through Demand Draft, issued by a Scheduled commercial Bank favouring "Authorised Officer, RBL Bank Ltd", before 5:00 PM on or before 05.

AVOID A LEGAL LOGJAM OVER HOOKAH BAR BANS

THIS weekend, as the nation raises a toast to the new year, the dry states of Bihar, Gujarat, Mizoram and Nagaland, and the Union territory of Lakshadweep will once again look on in envy and dial the bootlegger. Though the sale of alcohol is prohibited in these states, it is well known that liquor is quite easily available in the thriving black market. Gujarat, which imposed prohibition when the state was formed in 1960, is anything but a dry state; ditto with Bihar. Alcohol is smuggled in through bootlegging networks oiled by bribes; or it is brewed locally without adequate safeguards, leading to tragedies every now and then. Last December, over 70 people died in Saran district of Bihar after drinking illicit liquor; in July 2022, 125 people in Vadodara and 150 in Ahmedabad in Gujarat met the same fate. All this goes to show that prohibition is a failure. It also means a hefty loss of tax revenues, which the states can use for development. Karnataka, for example, depends on excise revenues to fund its welfare guarantee schemes.

Amid such worries, a debate has arisen over Karnataka's announcement to ban hookah bars. With this, the state joins Gujarat, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Telangana and Punjab in proscribing such establishments. Karnataka has also raised the age bar for the sale of cigarette and other tobacco products from 18 to 21, and prohibited smoking in all public places except at designated zones. The confusion is that while some high courts had given legal approval to hookah bar bans, the Supreme Court has rejected it saying that smoking a hookah is akin to smoking cigarettes and a restaurant or hookah lounge is free to operate if it conforms to the Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products Act of 2003. When asked to clarify, the Karnataka health minister said the ban would only apply in public areas.

We know that the hookah can be as injurious to health as cigarettes; it too leads to the inhalation of toxins such as tar and carbon monoxide and damages lungs. But while the government is well within its rights to crack down on the use of narcotics and curb substance abuse, it should avoid trying to clamp down on other personal consumption habits, as this would only lead to surreptitious use. In a democracy, such advice can only be offered; the rest should be left to the individual.

TECH CRUCIAL TO STAVE OFF WATER, AGRI CRISES

KARNATAKA faces a water crisis by the end of February. The Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre says that the state's major reservoirs, which can hold water up to 895 thousand million cubic feet (tmcft), now have only 394 tmcft; they had 668 tmcft at the same time last year. Similarly, the 114-tmcft Cauvery Basin reservoirs have just 52 tmcft against 83 tmcft a year ago. Officials in the revenue department, under which the disaster management wing functions, say the state may not receive adequate showers to fill its reservoirs in the coming months. Anticipating such a situation, farmers have been asked not to cultivate water-intensive crops and citizens have been asked to avoid wasting water and to conserve water. Several states have faced similar situations. The reason is a heavy dependence on rains. Even when technology is available to help with the situation, it is unfortunately largely ignored; so we continue to look at the sky and blame 'rain gods' for the predicament.

While much of the impacts of climate change—globally and locally—are attributed to environmental changes caused by human activities, should not human intervention also be directed towards using technology to tide over adverse anthropogenic factors? Desalination of seawater (an abundant resource), extraction of water from atmospheric moisture, adoption of hydroponics to minimise water consumption in agriculture, drying of agricultural produce for longer shelf lives are technologies that are already available. We need to adopt them to modernise agricultural techniques so that water crises do not impact our crucial food bowls and people's lives.

The Indian Council of Agricultural Research recognises three central, four deemed and 64 state agricultural universities. There are various other institutes engaged in sustainable agricultural development and atmospheric science research. These need to be interlinked and streamlined to channelise research efforts towards the singular objective of taking agriculture to a higher, technology-intensive level. They need to explore and disseminate information on ways to achieve maximum yields with minimum water consumption without compromising on crop quality. Simultaneously, innovative water-generating methods need to be employed for group sustenance. The need of the hour is a technological revolution for further modernising agriculture and for generating and conserving water.

QUICK TAKE

MAKE ENNORE POLLUTERS PAY

A video of vets struggling to clean black oil off the plumes of a hapless pelican widened our view of the damage caused by the oil spill in Ennore. The Tamil Nadu government's declaration of ₹8.75-crore relief for affected families partly addressed the human tragedy. But the spill's effect on the region's flora and fauna is largely unattended. The area's estuarine shoreline is home to mangroves and Olive Ridley turtles, too. Now, an ammonia leak in the area has sent dozens of people to the hospital; its effect on the fauna is yet to be assessed. The state needs to quickly gauge the damage and make the polluting units pay for the clean-up.

SEPARATION of powers was once thought to be the only sensible rule of constitutional behaviour. Fundamental differences between the three branches of government—the legislature, the executive and the judiciary—prompted the conclusion that they should be separate and distinct. But this does not reflect how democratic governments around the world actually work.

In 1920, British historian Albert Pollard wrote in his book, *The Evolution of Parliament*, that the doctrine of separation of powers in politics "was an ingenious attempt to reduce the infinite complexity of government to the subtle simplicity of a constitutional Rule of Three".

In the first half of the 20th century, academics—who were generally hostile to the traditional tripartite theory of separation of powers—argued for a system of government based on only two functions: policy and administration. This is because the problem at the centre of constitutional government today is how to achieve a balance between the different branches—a balance that will safeguard the freedom of the individual and at the same time ensure that governments provide their citizens with essential services, without which modern-day society cannot survive.

The initial doctrine of separation of powers had its roots in antiquity. Greek philosopher and polymath Aristotle (384-322 BCE) first mentioned the idea of "a mixed government" in his treatise *Politics*. Greek historian Polybius (200-118 BCE) later explained in some detail the system of checks and balances, crediting Spartan king Lycurgus with having established the first government of this kind.

In more recent times, scholars, governments and constitutions have approached the subject in different ways, adding layers of understanding to it.

One of the earliest and clearest statements of the separation of powers was propounded by French philosopher and judge Montesquieu (1689-1755) in his famous book, *The Spirit of the Laws* (1748). He noted: "When the legislative and executive powers are united in the same person, or in the same body of magistrates, there can be no liberty... there is no liberty if the power of judging is not separated from the legislative and executive... There would be an end to everything, if the same man or the same body... were to exercise those three powers".

By way of illustration, he added, "Among

Separation of powers between the legislature, executive and judiciary is an ancient doctrine. But it is not set in stone. It has evolved to suit the needs of the times

EVOLUTION OF THE RULE OF 3 IN GOVERNANCE

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the Turks, where the three powers are united in the person of the sultan, an atrocious despotism reigns."

Since the British constitutional system functioned quite smoothly between the king, parliament and the courts, Montesquieu boldly asserted that separation of powers was a necessary, if not sufficient, condition for liberty "since its absence promotes tyranny".

English philosopher John Locke (1632-1704) reasoned about the need for separation of powers within a monarchical state: "It may be too great a temptation to human frailty for the same persons who

have the power of making laws to also have in their hands the power to execute them, whereby they may exempt themselves from obedience to the laws they make, and suit the law both in its making and execution to their own private advantage."

As to why the doctrine of separation of powers—more accurately, of shared powers—was important, and was considered worth fighting for, was also emphasised by the author of one of the *Federalist Papers*, which were a precursor to the adoption of the Constitution of the United States of America in 1789—the modern world's shortest written constitution,

HOW INDIA CAN HELP FRAME GLOBAL RULES FOR AI SAFETY

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Generative AI (GenAI) has further expanded the scope of possibilities. Popular GenAI applications such as Midjourney and OpenAI's DALL-E, can take text inputs and generate distinctive digital images. OpenAI's ChatGPT can provide detailed outputs, generating essays, stories and computer code in response to queries.

The rapid advancement of AI has also triggered widespread apprehensions due to its potential for harm. The accessibility



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OpenAI co-founder Sam Altman had suggested setting up a global watchdog for AI similar to the Atomic Energy Agency, India, which has just taken over as chair of the Global Partnership on AI, a forum of 28 countries and the EU, has a chance to set the course

of powerful AI tools has empowered amateur programmers to create sophisticated malware and virus codes, significantly heightening cybersecurity and cyberterrorism threats. The proliferation of deepfake videos featuring public figures and the generation of AI-created images capable of inciting violent and negative public sentiments have become commonplace.

These can be hard to discern, and if left unaddressed, they could inflict massive damage in a world heavily influenced by digital narratives and content. AI-generated tools frequently face criticism for inheriting biases from their programmers. Intelligent machines are increasingly deployed in military operations where they

can make life and death decisions.

In the recent past, the Biden administration in the US issued an executive order establishing foundational norms for the development and use of AI. Earlier this month, the European Union had also drafted a provincial set of guidelines for this sector. The G7 summit held in Hiroshima this May had initiated the Hiroshima AI process, with the stated objective of the creation and promotion of human-centric and trustworthy AI based on Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development principles. OpenAI's Sam Altman had earlier suggested setting up an intergovernmental watchdog for overseeing AI similar to the International Atomic Energy Agency, that works under the UN framework.

Global consensus during these turbulent times of intensified geopolitical rivalries would be difficult. The major powers are also attempting to slow each other's course of innovation. The US has imposed restrictions on the sale of advanced chips, crucial for driving AI development, to China. In response, Beijing has retaliated by implementing export regulations on Gallium and Germanium, both critical minerals for semiconductor manufacturing.

Against this backdrop, India has just taken over as the chair of the Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence (GPAI), a forum of 28 countries and the EU working together on the opportunities and challenges of AI. Prime Minister Modi, while addressing the inaugural session, stressed the need for global collaboration with the widest participation to harvest the full potential of AI.

The G20 summit this year witnessed the emergence of India as the preeminent voice for the Global South. We were also able to showcase our digital public infrastructure as a powerful enabler for the world's digital and developmental transformation. GPAI has the potential to position India at the forefront of establishing a secure, safe, and inclusive global standard and governance model for the most transformative technology of our era.

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of less than 8,000 words. In *Federalist Paper No 51*, James Madison wrote: "In framing a government which is to be administered by men over men, the great difficulty lies in this—you must first enable the government to control the governed; and in the next place, oblige it to control itself. A dependence on the people is no doubt the primary control on the government; but experience has taught mankind the necessity of taking auxiliary precautions."

In the Constitution of India, believed to be the world's longest document of governance after the Constitution of the state of Alabama in the US, the doctrine of separation of powers is indeed recognised, "but not in its absolute rigidity", observed a Constitution bench of India's Supreme Court way back in 1955.

The court added: "But the functions of the different parts or branches of government are sufficiently differentiated, and consequently, it could be confidently said that our Constitution does not contemplate assumption by one organ, or part of the State, of functions that essentially belong to another."

Separation of powers alone does not operate as a canonical principle of constitutionalism. In an article published in the *Boston College Law Review* in March 2013, law professor Jeremy Waldron proposed a close-knit set of five principles that are designed to work both separately and together. The principle of the separation of the functions of government from one another (the separation of powers principle); the principle that warns against the concentration of too much political power in the hands of any one person, group or agency (the division of power principle); the principle that requires the ordinary concurrence of one governmental entity in the actions of another; and thus permits one entity to check or veto the actions of another (the checks and balances principle); the principle that requires laws to be enacted by votes in two coordinate legislative assemblies (the bicameralism principle); and the principle that distinguishes between powers assigned to the federal government and powers reserved for states (the federalism principle).

None of these 'principles', of course, are made enforceable in written constitutions, because every written constitution divides power in its own particular way.

The principle of separation of powers continues to survive in 2023-24, but under its more appropriate umbrella term—the division of powers.

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Alternative vision

Ref: *A vision for Indian polity, 2024 & beyond* (Dec 27). Shashi Tharoor's article instils motivation in the INDIA group. Instead of attacking Modi blindly, the bloc can present viable alternatives and reiterate their convictions of an inclusive India. But it has failed to highlight the factor limiting the growth—their penchant for one family to lead. **Dharmarajan A K, Thalassery**

Flood fallout

Even after receiving a report by an expert team on the floods in Tamil Nadu, the Centre has not released any funds. But Nirmala Sitharaman said that they would not declare this calamity as a major disaster. Realising the damage it will have on their image, the BJP rushed her to the state to assuage people's feelings. But sending the minister only adds salt to the wound. **Tharidus S Fernando, Chennai**

Embassy security

Ref: *Flutter over minor explosion near Israeli embassy* (Dec 27). The Union government should tighten its security before such events threaten to happen on a regular basis. A small hole can sink a big ship. Our intelligence agencies have a task cut out for them. **S Ramakrishnasasree, email**

Covid care

Ref: *7-day home isolation for Covid patients* (Dec 27). With a surge in the number of Covid cases in Karnataka, an advisory has been issued by the state government. It is also the responsibility of the people to follow protocols and visit hospitals for check up in case of any symptoms. People should refrain from going to public places and wear masks. **Abhilasha Gupta, Mohali**

Deepfake concerns

Recently, deepfake videos targeting actors have gone viral, sparking concerns over the misuse of technology. The government has issued an advisory to all platforms to comply with IT rules. The terms of service and user agreements must highlight that intermediaries or platforms are under obligation to report legal violations to the law enforcement agencies. **Tauqueer Rahmani, Mumbai**

Balance responsibilities

Ref: *Searching for Indianness in the new criminal laws* (Dec 26). I agree with every word C P Surendran has written. It is a given that the ruling administration goes overboard intentionally which should not be the case. But is the opposition's inability to hold the government accountable in any meaningful way and not bring to the limelight any issue of import also a given? **S K Gupta, email**

Putin invites Modi to visit Russia

External Affairs Minister Jaishankar says India-Russia Annual Summit will resume in 2024

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

RUSSIAN President Vladimir Putin has extended an invitation to Prime Minister Narendra Modi to visit the country.

"We will be glad to see our friend Narendra Modi in Russia. We will be able to discuss all current issues and talk about the prospects for the development of Russia-India relations. We have so much work," Putin said, during his interaction with External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar in Moscow on Wednesday.

The Russian President also said that he understood India's position on Ukraine. "I have repeatedly informed him about the situation surrounding the conflict. I know his desire to do everything to resolve this problem through peaceful means," Putin said.

As he spoke about the upcoming elections in India, Putin said he was hopeful that ties between the two nations would remain stable. He also spoke about the increasing trade turnover between the two nations. "Our trade turnover is growing for the second year in a row and at a steady pace. This year, the pace is even greater than last year. We work in high tech areas and our relations with India are developing progressively," he added.

Earlier in the day, Jaishankar



External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar and Russia's Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov hold a joint press conference following their talks in Moscow on Wednesday | PPT

had said that the India-Russia Annual Summit will resume in 2024. It may be recalled that for the last two years, the India-Russia Summit has not been held owing to the conflict between Russia and Ukraine in 2022 and this year due to PM Modi's diplomatic engagements

and India's G20 Presidency.

"India-Russia relations reflect geopolitical realities, strategic convergence and mutual benefit. We signed Protocol on Consultations for 2024-28," said Jaishankar, who is on a five-day visit to Moscow.

The EAM and his Russian

counterpart Sergey Lavrov, met for the seventh time this year.

"I learned this is our seventh meeting, part of it is of course the G20, the SCO, the ASEAN, BRICS formats have today allowed many more and many regular contacts. And our leaders, Prime Minister Modi and President Vladimir Putin, have also been in frequent contact," Jaishankar added.

As strategic partners, Jaishankar in his interaction with Lavrov discussed the international situation, and exchanged views on the Ukraine conflict, Gaza, Afghanistan, Central Asia, G20, BRICS and SCO.

"Russia supports Indian aspiration of becoming a permanent member of UNSC along with representatives from Latin America and Africa. Russia and India ties are based on mutual respect, not subject to political fluctuations," said Lavrov.

"What has clearly come out after our talks was that India-Russia relations remain very steady, very strong. They are based on our strategic convergence, on our geopolitical interests, and because they are mutually beneficial. We spent a lot of time discussing political cooperation with regard to various international issues, including global organisations, BRICS, of which Russia will be the president," Jaishankar said.

Israel issues advisory as metal ball pieces found at blast site

UJWAL JALALI @ New Delhi

THE Forensic Sciences Laboratory (FSL) teams, conducting investigations around the Israel Embassy where a blast occurred on Tuesday, have discovered more than two dozen pieces of metal balls, suggesting the occurrence of a low-intensity explosion.

A senior official from the FSL stated, "Our teams have been on-site for the past two days, conducting a thorough search of the area. We have uncovered several pieces of metal balls scattered across the vicinity." Preliminary findings point towards a low-intensity blast, possibly triggered by an improvised explosive device. "We are meticulously analysing all the evidence collected from the scene," the official said.

The incident, which took place on Tuesday evening, raised alarms across security agencies due to its location in one of the nation's most heavily guarded areas, outside the Israel Embassy. Additionally, a typed letter addressed to the Israeli ambassador was discovered at the scene.

A day following the explosion, multiple teams from the Delhi Police, including the forensic science laboratory and a canine unit, were observed con-



National Security Guard forensics team inspects an area behind the Israel embassy in New Delhi on Wednesday, after a low-intensity blast on Tuesday | PARVEEN NEGI

ducting examinations in the vicinity of the suspected blast site. Central agencies such as the National Investigation Agency (NIA) were also present, accompanied by a significant police presence.

Sources revealed that the letter found a day earlier contained abusive language and referenced "Sir Allah Resistance," potentially suggesting that the organisation claimed responsibility for the attack.

After reviewing numerous CCTV footage recordings, the police have narrowed their focus to two individuals who were seen approaching the area

prior to the explosion.

As part of the probe, the police are also scrutinising 'end-to-end encrypted calls' made from active mobile numbers near the Israel Embassy.

A senior police official, requesting anonymity, stated, "Tracing such calls can be challenging, but through specialised investigative techniques and an analysis of nearby numbers, we can determine who was in the vicinity of the area where the blast occurred."

Meanwhile, Israel has cautioned its citizens in India to avoid public places and not to participate in crowded events.

Qatar's court of appeal to hear plea of 8 Indian Navy veterans today

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

QATAR'S court of appeal will hear the plea of the eight Indian naval veterans sentenced to death in the country and are languishing in jail in Doha.

This will be the third hearing on the appeal. Family members of most of the jailed men are already in Doha ahead of the hearing.

"The wives and children of the Navy men have been able to meet them in person. A few of the naval veterans are failing in health. That is a cause of concern. The families hope to hear the news of their repatriation. But unless it is announced, there will be apprehension too," said an official privy to the information.

Meanwhile, wives of the eight veterans have had meetings with the Indian ambassador in Doha, who assured them of support. They have also met the defence lawyer.

"These eight men were not considered for pardon on Qatar's National Day on December 18 because their appeal was coming up on December 28. Be-

sides, we reiterate that our naval veterans have done no wrong and hence, a pardon is not what they were seeking in the first place," said the official.

Meanwhile, Qatar's Ministry of Interior has just concluded a 'Unified Gulf Inmates' Week' on December 24.

Under the programme, a series of recreational, cultural and sports activities were organized for the inmates across the country's prisons and detention centres.

Though there is no clarity on whether the eight naval veterans were included in this meet, there had been events organised over four days under the slogans such as "Giving them hope and opportunities".

The eight naval veterans who have been under detention since August 30, 2022, are Captain Navtej Singh Gill, Captain Saurabh Vashisht, Commander Purnendu Tiwari, Captain Birendra Kumar Verma, Commander Sugunakar Pakala, Commander Sanjeev Gupta, Commander Amit Nagpal and Sailor Ragesh.



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Official

After CPM, more INDIA allies say will skip Ram temple event

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

AFTER the CPI (M) declined the invitation to the Ram temple inauguration ceremony terming it as a 'political event', more INDIA bloc partners have joined the chorus. According to sources, West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee is also unlikely to attend the consecration ceremony on January 22 next year.

A senior TMC leader said that the party does not believe in mixing politics with religion and there is no question of Mamata Banerjee or any other party representative attending the inauguration at Ayodhya.

On Tuesday, CPI(M) general secretary Sitaram Yechury declined the invitation to the inaugural ceremony, which invited a scathing reaction from the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).

The party's Politburo stated that CPM policy has been to respect religious beliefs and safeguard the right of every individual to pursue their belief. "CPM believes that religion is a personal choice, not to be converted into an instrument for political gain," it said.

Though three top Congress leaders — Sonia Gandhi, Manmohan Singh and Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury — received the invitations, the leadership is yet to take a stand. On Wednes-



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Sam Pitroda, chairman of Indian Overseas Congress

day, Congress general secretary KC Venugopal told media that the party will announce its decision later. But at least two Congress leaders have struck a different note.

Launching an attack on the BJP, chairman of Indian Overseas Congress, Sam Pitroda, said that the burning issues are unemployment and inflation. "Practice your religion, but keep religion separate from politics," he told the media.

"I have no problem with any religion. It is okay to go visit the temple once in a while, but you can't make it the main platform. Forty per cent of people vote for BJP, and 60 per cent do not vote for BJP. But Modi is

everybody's Prime Minister and not one party's Prime Minister. That is the message the people of India want him to give. Talk about employment, inflation, science and technology, and challenges. The people have to decide what the real issues are. Is Ram Mandir the real issue? Or unemployment? Or inflation?" Pitroda said.

Echoing the view, Congress MP Shashi Tharoor said that he saw "religion as a personal attribute and not one for political misuse". Tharoor said he was not invited for the ceremony. The Congress is also facing heat from its ally IUML in Kerala for maintaining an ambiguous stand on the issue as the ruling CPM has made its position clear. It is learnt that another INDIA bloc partner, Rashtriya Janata Dal, will also stay away from the event.

However, Dimple Yadav, leader of Samajwadi Party, which is also an INDIA ally, had said that she will attend the event if invited. "If I get an invitation, I will definitely go. If I don't, I will go later," she said.

Shiv Sena (UTB) leaders are also keen to attend the ceremony though Thackeray has not yet received an invitation.

NCP president Sharad Pawar on Wednesday said he hasn't been invited for the ceremony.

ED exempted from RTI ambit but will give info on human rights: HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Enforcement Directorate is exempted from the purview of the Right to Information (RTI) Act, the Delhi High Court observed on Wednesday.

The High Court, however, said that the probe agency can be directed to supply information concerning human rights violations, which includes allegations of sexual harassment.

The court made the observation while hearing two pleas filed by the Enforcement Directorate, challenging two orders of the Central Information Commission (CIC) that sought disclosure of certain information to RTI applicants.

One applicant had sought information related to recruitment rules, while the other wanted information pertaining to allegations of sexual harassment made by her.

Justice Prathiba M Singh set aside the CIC order, but directed the Enforcement Directorate to disclose within eight weeks the information sought by the

RTI applicant in the second case. She was a legal advisor to the probe agency.

"The ED is exempted under Section 24 of the RTI Act, 2005 from disclosing the said information on recruitment rules. Accordingly, the impugned order dated November 27, 2019 passed by the CIC is set aside," the court order said.

"Insofar as W.P.(C) 5588/2019 is concerned, in the opinion of this Court, the information sought in the RTI Application relates to an allegation of sexual harassment by the RTI applicant/respondent. In this case, the non-disclosure of information of allegations of sexual harassment, in the opinion of this court, would fall clearly within the conspectus of human rights violations, as exempted by the proviso to Section 24 of the RTI Act, 2005," it said.

About the information sought on recruitment rules, the court said it was "not a case that would involve any human rights violation and so is not exempted by the proviso".



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Delhi High Court

Open discussion between govt & judiciary on collegium system needed: Justice Kaul

Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul, the second senior most judge in the Supreme Court who demitted office on December 25, talks to Suchitra Kalyan Mohanty on wide-ranging issues, including his seven-year tenure, controversy over appointment of judges, long pendency of cases in various courts, and friction between the government and the judiciary. **Excerpts:**

You delivered some landmark judgments, including same-sex marriage and abrogation of Article 370. What's your take?

Before pronouncing the order on Article 370, I knew that it would generate a lot of debate. It is good that people should discuss and analyse it. What I have written is the position of law and statute. This verdict is a way forward and reconciliation for the people of Jammu and Kashmir for the betterment of their lives. Fortunately, it is a unanimous verdict.

The judgment is clear on same-sex marriage. It is up to Parliament to legislate.

How difficult is it for a judge to be apolitical? At any point did you feel there were political pressures or undue interference during your tenure?

Try and understand that we judges are also human beings. Even if a judge may have some kind of political inclination or affiliation, our training teaches us justice delivery in an unbiased and impartial manner. The best example is Justice Krishan Iyer, who had a political background but his acumen in his orders were fantastic. The training what we get from our lawyer days teaches us to be apolitical.

Please mention the most difficult verdict you pronounced.

I go through all the files before pronouncing a verdict. I can't say there is any difficulty. Litigants are not interested in our philosophy. They need justice and we have to deliver them as soon as possible. I have always

tried to maintain a balance. **Is there any friction between the judiciary and the government during your tenure?**

Friction is bound to happen some times. The government and the judiciary have their roles well defined and that they must ensure that there is less friction. The role of the judiciary is putting in place the checks and balances. If there is a friction, it must be for a constructive purpose.

The Collegium system of appointing judges has often been criticized. Do you think the system is impartial, whether it should continue or need modification, or an overhaul?

The Collegium system at present has the checks and balances. It was introduced in 1990 after wide discussions. The court is the ultimate arbitrator of the legal system. There must be an open discussion (not public



Photo: Shekhar Yadav

participation or debate) by government representatives, judges and the court administration. Debate is the need of the hour.

At times, the Centre has delayed appointment of judges over a particular candidate, or asked the Collegium to decide.

The Centre must understand that it should not delay the appointment of judges, if the SC Collegium decides and recom-

mends someone for the role of a judge. It must be followed as per the law. Finally, the ultimate beneficiary will be the litigants who move court for justice. At least 13 names for appointment are still pending. A decision must be taken as soon as possible. The Collegium recommends a name after detailed checks and balances.

At times, there have been question marks on why a certain case has been listed

before a particular bench. Do you think the process of listing of cases is fair and transparent?

Judges are human beings, difference of opinion does occur. But ultimately it is the call of the Chief Justice of India who is the master of roster.

At any point, did you have difficulty in dealing with a particular case?

I am a person who takes a call. At times, I think whether some words are missing. The moment I get them, I immediately write it in my diary.

What is your take on long pendency of cases in courts? What should be done to reduce the large number?

It is an important issue and should be addressed immediately. The judges and population ratio would have to be better for a better justice delivery. We need to address a litigant's concern that how his case from a lower court comes to the top court and why the delay. We

need to address it. The court management must be there.

Do you think that the Address Dispute Resolution mechanism is a good tool for any litigant to ensure speedy disposal of cases?

I believe that countries, including the US, have less than 3% of cases go to courts. The government being a litigator must take a call on which case should continue and which one to be dropped. The government shouldn't go for appeal in courts if it loses a case.

Do you think judges should take any post-retirement assignments?

I think judges should not take post-retirement assignments, though the choice lies with individuals. In my case, it is a no. I have already done my duty to the best of my ability.

It is often said only rich gets justice in India...

That's not correct. If people don't have faith in judiciary, then such a large number of cases won't pile up in courts.

Raj to relook at all 800 schemes of Gehlot govt announced in 6 months

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

IN a significant move, the Bhajan Lal government in Rajasthan has announced a meticulous review of all decisions made by the previous Ashok Gehlot government over the last six months.

This implies that approximately 800 decisions will undergo scrutiny and are temporarily on hold.

Following the establishment of the Bhajan Lal government's cabinet, experts suggest that after formation of Cabinet, a committee comprising senior ministers is likely to be formed to evaluate the decisions made by the Gehlot government across various departments, with a focus on matters related to the Urban Development Department, Mines and Petroleum, Medical, and Revenue departments.

It is noteworthy that several decisions were taken by the previous government just before the imposition of the Model Code of Conduct for elections. However, due to the subsequent imposition of the Model Code of Conduct, the im-

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plementation of these decisions was halted, as cabinet orders could not be issued within the restricted timeframe.

The decisions subject to review encompass more than 300 land allotment resolutions, approval for the creation of 19 districts, the establishment of RLD Skill University, alterations to the nomenclature of educational institutions, the conversion of Hindi medium schools to English medium, and the transformation of Drug and Pharmaceuticals Limited into a government undertaking.

Additionally, the review extends to matters such as Annapurna food packet distribution, mobile distribution to women, regularisation of 10,528 contract workers and land allotment among others.

Rajeev Kumar named Bengal police chief

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

THE West Bengal government on Wednesday appointed former Kolkata Police Commissioner Rajeev Kumar as the state's Director General of Police (DGP).

Kumar, known for his close proximity with Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee, headed the Special Investigation Team (SIT) that probed the Saradha chit fund scam case before it was handed over to the Enforcement Directorate (ED).

In his career, Kumar solved many high-profile cases and cracked down on CPI(Maoist)'s network. A team of policemen, led by him, arrested five CPI(Maoist) state committee member, including the state chief of the outlawed outfit.

Before being appointed as the DGP, he served as the Principal Secretary of the Information and Technology department. He replaced DGP Manoj Malviya. Notably, when Kumar was the Kolkata police chief, he was questioned for several days in Shillong by the CBI following a Supreme Court order over his alleged role in destroying evidence related to the chit fund scam case. When the CBI raided his residence in connection with the case, Mamata had rushed to Kumar's residence.

Party mulls fresh faces to replace old ones, says home minister

All 18 MPs unlikely to get tickets, Shah in Bengal

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

Amit Shah told BJP leaders to make the sitting MPs, who will not be fielded, understand about the party's poll strategy. Those MLAs of our party, whose performance is satisfactory, may be fielded in the LS polls.

Senior BJP leader

'Winning the ultimate aim'

Amit Shah made it clear that winning seats is the ultimate goal of the party and BJP's victory is more important than the face of any candidate, according to a senior BJP leader. He added that denial of ticket shouldn't be the reason for disappointment.

IN a meeting with a few MPs of the party on Tuesday evening in Kolkata, Home minister Amit Shah hinted that all the 18 representatives elected from West Bengal in the 2019 general elections may not be fielded in the next year's Lok Sabha poll fray, said sources in the BJP.

Shah's meeting with a few MPs in a hotel, before he flew to Delhi, delivered a clear message within the party that the saffron camp may replace some sitting MPs with new faces. "Shahji, in the meeting, made it clear that winning seats is the ultimate goal of the party and party's victory is more important than the face of candidate. He also said that there should be no reason to get disappointed if an MP is not given ticket in the upcoming elections as the party will use him or her for securing victory in the electoral battle," said a senior leader of the saffron camp.

Making deep inroads in West Bengal in the 2019 general elections, the saffron camp took its tally to 18 from two out of 42 LS seats. In north Bengal, the party bagged victory in seven seats out of eight and in Jungle Mahal, the backward region in the western part of the state, in all five seats.

Shah and BJP's national president J. P. Nadda, during their Kolkata visit on Tuesday, held a meeting with a few



MPs which include Locket Chatterjee from Hooghly constituency, Jagannath Chattopadhyay from Ranaghat, John Barla from Alipurduar, Nisith Pramanik from Cooch Behar and Subhas Sarkar from Bankura. The presidents of organisational districts of the constituency were present in meeting.

"Shah also told the state leaders of the party to make the sitting MPs, who will not be fielded, understand about the party's poll strategy," said the leader, adding, "Those MLAs of our party, whose performance is satisfactory, may be fielded in the LS polls replacing a few sitting MPs. Our party engaged a private professional agency to assess the performance of sitting MPs across the country and identified some of them for their poor performance in their constituency. We guess such sitting MPs will be axed from the list of candidates in the upcoming polls."



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Sushil Modi claims split in JD(U) possible

Former deputy chief minister and BJP MP has raised political temperature in the state these days. He claims that a split in JD (U) is bound to happen. He contends a section of JD (U) leaders want the party to return to the NDA again. He claimed that JD (U) MPs are also assessing whether it would be beneficial for them to contest elections by remaining in the grand alliance or contesting elections as NDA candidates will be better for them. In such a situation, the split is imminent, he claims. Both Home Minister Amit Shah and BJP chief J P Nadda have ruled out any possibility of Nitish's return to NDA, he added.



New Year gift for 3.5L contractual teachers

It's a new year gift of Bihar government to around 3.5 lakh government school teachers appointed on contractual basis. Bihar cabinet has approved a proposal to give government employee status to contractual teachers who were serving in primary, middle, secondary and higher secondary schools across the state. However, these teachers will be called 'exclusive teachers' after a notification is issued by the education department. But these teachers will have to clear competency examinations for continuing with the status.

IPS officer removed from Central Selection Board

Senior IPS officer Sanjeev Kumar Singhal has been removed from the post of chairman of Central Selection Board (constable recruitment). Another IPS officer Shobha Ohtakar, who is serving as Director General (Home Guards and Fire Services), will replace him. The abrupt removal of Singhal, who had retired from the post of DGP, has created ripples in the administrative circles as he had not completed his full term on the post. Rumours are afloat that question papers of examination held for recruitment of constables had earlier leaked, leaving the political bosses red faced. All 74 FIRs were registered linked with the question paper leak case.

UAPA

MHA puts ban on 'unlawful' party in Kashmir

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

AFTER designating the Muslim League Jammu Kashmir, led by separatist leader Masarat Alam Bhat, as an 'unlawful association' under the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA), Union Home Minister Amit Shah emphasised on Wednesday that anyone acting against the unity, sovereignty, and integrity of the nation will face the consequences of the law and will not go unpunished.

In a post on X, Shah announced, "The Muslim League Jammu Kashmir (Masarat Alam faction) has been declared an 'Unlawful Association' under the provisions of the UAPA. This organisation and its members are involved in anti-national and secessionist activities in Jammu and Kashmir, supporting terrorist activities, and inciting people to establish Islamic rule in the region."

Sources in the Ministry of Home Affairs revealed that Masarat Alam Bhat has been engaged in anti-India and pro-Pakistan propaganda. He became the chairman of the headline faction of the Hurriyat Conference following the death of Syed Ali Shah Geelani. Currently, he is in jail.

Fighting fit: Rahul wrestles it out at akhara in Jhajjar

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

ON Wednesday, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi paid a visit to the Virender Arya Akhara in Chhara, a quiet farming village nestled in the Jhajjar district of Haryana. During his visit, he actively engaged with Bajrang Punia and participated in a wrestling match with him. Rahul also immersed himself in wrestling techniques on the mat, diligently learning moves such as the "dhobi pachaad" and "dhak."

Additionally, he generously shared his knowledge of jiu-jitsu locks with Punia and other wrestlers before joining them for a nourishing meal of bajra roti and saag, accompanied by a tall glass of warm milk. "Dhobi pachaad," a renowned wrestling maneuver in which a wrestler hoists their adversary onto their shoulders before forcefully driving them into the mat, and "dhak," another crowd-pleasing technique where the wrestler secures their opponent in a tight headlock before executing a powerful throw to the ground, stand out as two iconic moves in the sport.

Rahul's two-hour visit to the akhara unfolded against the backdrop of controversy surrounding the Wrestling Foun-



Rahul Gandhi with wrestler Bajrang Punia at Chhara, in Jhajjar on Wednesday | PTI

dation of India. However, his presence brought a glimmer of hope and solidarity to the wrestling community.

Following Rahul's departure, Punia mentioned that the Congress leader had keenly observed the daily routines of the wrestlers at the akhara and actively participated in their activities. Rahul even captured the experience by filming a video for his YouTube channel during the visit, a gesture that took the wrestlers by surprise. The wrestlers at the akhara had no prior knowledge of his visit.

Punia expressed his satisfaction, affirming that Rahul displayed a remarkable understanding of wrestling and its techniques. He offered Rahul

locally grown vegetables, which he graciously accepted.

When asked about the Wrestling Foundation of India issue was discussed during their meeting, another wrestler revealed that they had discussed the mental stress that wrestlers endure, shedding light on the challenges that go unnoticed.

Rahul conveyed his thoughts in Hindi on his social media platform X, stating, "After years of dedicated hard work, patience, and unwavering discipline, athletes bring medals to our country through their blood and sweat. Today, I visited brother Virendra Arya's akhara in Chhara village, Jhajjar, and engaged in discussions with Bajrang Punia."

Rajnath meets families of 3 J&K slain civilians, says justice will prevail

FAYAZ WANI & MAYANK SINGH @ Srinagar/New Delhi

DEFENCE minister Rajnath Singh on Wednesday met families of three civilians who were found dead after being detained by the Army, and assured them that justice will prevail. "Please have faith in us. Nobody can bring back to life of those who have died. But there will be justice," Singh told the family members in Rajouri.

The three civilians — Safer Hussain, 43, Mohd Showket, 27, and Shabir Ahmad, 32, — were among eight persons detained by the Army for questioning after an ambush on an Army convoy killed four soldiers on December 21. The bodies of three civilians were found at the ambush site on December 22. The five others were allegedly tortured and are undergoing treatment at a hospital in Rajouri.

"He assured us that justice will be done and the guilty will be brought to book. He said if anyone has committed a mistake, he will not be spared," a Rajouri District Development Council member said. Singh was visiting the border districts of Rajouri and Poonch in Jammu and Kashmir to review the security situation.



Rajnath Singh interacting with an injured person's family in J&K on Wednesday | PTI

Security review held

Rajnath Singh held a closed-door security review meeting at Raj Bhavan in Jammu on Wednesday. Officials said he was briefed on the security situation and the operational preparedness of the troops

Interacting with soldiers at a military garrison, Rajnath told them it was important to win the hearts and minds of the people. "You are the guardians of the country. Apart from the responsibility toward the security of the country, winning the hearts of the citizens is also a big responsibility on your shoulders," he told them.

"Such mistakes that may hurt any citizen of the country, should not happen," the defence minister added.

22K Gujaratis make a beeline for foreign shores

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

OFFICIAL government data reveals that approximately 22,000 individuals from Gujarat chose to renounce their Indian citizenship over the past nine years between 2014-22. On August 10, 2023, Member of Parliament Sushil Kumar Modi raised a question in the Rajya Sabha regarding the number of people in India who had voluntarily surrendered their passports over the past decade.

In response to this inquiry, the Indian External Affairs Department provided data indicating that within the last ten years, 22,300 individuals in Gujarat had surrendered their passports, effectively giving up their Indian citizenship.

Delhi recorded the highest number of passport surrenders in India, with 60,414 individuals relinquishing their passports during the same period. Punjab followed with 28,117 passport surrenders, and Gujarat ranked third with 22,300 individuals surrendering their passports.

Conversely, regions such as Andaman & Nicobar had the

RENOUNCING CITIZENSHIP

22,000 Gujaratis renounce Indian citizenship from 2014 to 2022

22,300 people in Gujarat surrendered their passports in the last ten years

Delhi had the most passport surrenders in India (60,414), followed by Punjab (28,117), and Gujarat (22,300)

Andaman & Nicobar had the fewest passport surrenders (16), followed by Lakshadweep/ Daman Diu (33) and Sikkim (34)



People renouncing Indian citizenship more than doubled from 2011 (1,22,819) to 2022 (2,25,620)



Tragic incidents related to illegal immigration, including deaths near the Canada-US border and the St. Lawrence River, were reported

MORE THAN 17.50 LAKH PEOPLE HAVE GIVEN UP INDIAN CITIZENSHIP SINCE THE YEAR 2011

lowest number of passport surrenders, with only 16 individuals giving up their passports in the previous decade. Following closely were Lakshadweep and Daman Diu, with 33 passport surrenders, and Sikkim, with 34 individuals surrendering their passports.

Intriguingly, despite the increase in passport surrenders, the total number of people renouncing Indian citizenship more than doubled over the last eleven years. In 2011, the Ministry of External Affairs report-

ed that 1,22,819 individuals had renounced Indian citizenship, a number that surged to 2,25,620 by 2022. Shockingly, the data indicates that over 17.50 lakh people have given up their Indian citizenship since 2011.

If a person has ever held an Indian passport and has obtained the passport of another country, they will be required to surrender their Indian passport immediately after gaining another country's nationality. After renunciation of Indian citizenship, it is necessary to

apply for surrender or a renunciation certificate.

Despite the alarming stories of illegal immigration and their tragic consequences making headlines in Gujarat, the collective spirit of Gujarat's villages remains undeterred. Heart-wrenching incidents, such as the discovery of individuals frozen to death near the Canada-US border in January 2022 or drowning of three Indians in the St. Lawrence River in April 2023, shed light on challenges of illegal immigration.

Record 43 fatalities in man-animal conflict in U'khand this yr: Govt

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

SINCE its formation 23 years ago, Uttarakhand witnessed a record high of 43 fatalities in human-wildlife conflicts involving tigers and leopards this year.

Of these, while 21 individuals fell victim to leopard attacks, 22 lost their lives in tiger encounters. According to forest department data, between January 2000 and December 2023, a total of 551 people lost their lives in leopard and tiger attacks, with over 1,833 individuals sustaining injuries.

Additionally, since June 2001, a total of 1,663 leopard deaths have been recorded, with many attributed to accidents or inter-species conflicts, among other causes.

The population of leopards and tigers in the state has seen an increase since 2015. The estimated number of leopards in Uttarakhand is 3,115, an increase from 2,335 in 2015, a spokesman for the forest department told this newspaper. There has been a 13 per cent



rise in the conflicts compared to the previous year, he added.

The Wildlife Protection Society of India (WPSI), has released a data showing 204 deaths in the country during the period January 1, 2023, to December 26. While 43 deaths of tigers and leopards represent 15 per cent of the country's total, the figure is still alarming.

According to official sources from the state forest department, the state has officially recorded the third-largest tiger

Wild population

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population in the country, with a total of 560 big cats. The Corbett Tiger Reserve (CTR) has reported the highest number of tigers at 260 among the 53 tiger reserves in the nation.

Notably, the tiger population in Uttarakhand has surged from 442 to 560 compared to the figures reported in 2018. While there are now 12,852 leopards in India, the previous estimate made in 2014 was 7910.

The population has registered an increase of more than 60 percent.



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No. BCWD/EST-9/CR-03-2023-24 Date:28.12.2023

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
[Through e-tendering only]

E-tender is invited by the Backward Classes Welfare Department, Bengaluru for providing supporting staff
For details please visit website <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> The last date for receipt of tender is **29.01.2024 upto 4.30 pm**

Sd/-
(Tender inviting authority)
Joint Director (Admin)

DIPR/CP/JA/2725/2023-24



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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction sale notice for sale of immovable assets under the securitisation and reconstruction of financial assets and enforcement of security interest act, 2002 under rule 8(5) read with proviso to rule 8(6) of the security interest (enforcement) rule, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the borrower (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the authorised officer of public housing finance limited (hereinafter referred to as "PNBHFL") on 24-03-2018, and pursuant to the assignment of debt in favour of Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited by "PNBHFL", will be sold on "As is where is", "as is what is", and "whatever there is" basis along with the existing encumbrances, if any, on 17.01.2024 between 12:00 pm to 01:00 pm with unlimited extension of 5 minutes, for recovery of Rs. 2,58,39,309/- Rupees two crore fifty eight lakhs thirty nine thousand three hundred and nine only) as of 05.01.2018 with further interest applicable from 06.01.2018 until payment in full along with cost and charges under the Loan Account NO.NHJMLS0916316806, due to KMBL, secured creditor from Mr. Abdul Jameel & Mrs. Syed Samiunnisa. Last date of submission of emd with kyc is 16.01.2024 up to 6:00 pm. (IST). details of the immovable properties, respective reserve price and earnest money to be deposited are as under.

PROPERTY 2: All that piece and parcel of Flat No. G-8, In Ground Floor, Block C, Of The Multi Storied Building known as Pruthvi Royal, consisting of Two Bhk Flat With one Covered Car Parking In The Basement with super built up area of 1197.32 sq. ft. with undivided share, Right and title measuring 308.58 sq. ft. in land bearing Sy. No. 43, BBMP Katha No. 22043, Gottigere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru with vitrified tiles together with all amenities, Common Star Case, Balconies, Electricity Connection etc.boundaries Of Land: East: Re-sy No.61 (quarry), West: Private Property, North: Sy. No.44 And Road, South: Himagin Properties (Sy. Nos. 42 And 130). Reserve Price Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh Only) EMD: Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Only)

PROPERTY 3: All That Piece And Parcel Of Flat No. 204, In Second Floor, Block C, Of The Multi Storied Building Known As Pruthvi Royal, Consisting Of Two Bhk Flat With One Covered Car Parking In The Basement With Super Built Up Area Of 1229.13 Sq. Ft. With Undivided Share, Right And Title Measuring 312.78 Sq. Ft. In Land Bearing Sy. No. 43, Bbnp Katha No. 22043, Gottigere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru With Vitrified Tiles Together With All Amenities, Common Star Case, Balconies, Electricity Connection Etc.boundaries Of Land: East: Re-sy No.61 (quarry), West: Private Property, North: Sy. No.44 And Road, South: Himagin Properties (Sy. Nos. 42 And 130). Reserve Price Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh Only) EMD: Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Only)

PROPERTY 4: All That Piece And Parcel Of Flat No. 308, In Third Floor, Block B, Of The Multi Storied Building Known As Pruthvi Royal, Consisting Of Two Bhk Flat With One Covered Car Parking In The Basement With Super Built Up Area Of 1197.32 Sq. Ft. With Undivided Share, Right And Title Measuring 308.58 Sq. Ft. In Land Bearing Sy. No. 43, Bbnp Katha No. 22043, Gottigere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru With Vitrified Tiles Together With All Amenities, Common Star Case, Balconies, Electricity Connection Etc.boundaries Of Land: East: Re-sy No.61 (quarry), West: Private Property, North: Sy. No.44 And Road, South: Himagin Properties (Sy. Nos. 42 And 130). Reserve Price Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh Only) EMD: Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Only)

PROPERTY 5: All That Piece And Parcel Of Flat No. 209, In Second Floor, Block B, Of The Multi Storied Building Known As Pruthvi Royal, Consisting Of Two Bhk Flat With One Covered Car Parking In The Basement With Super Built Up Area Of 1197.32 Sq. Ft. With Undivided Share, Right And Title Measuring 312.78 Sq. Ft. In Land Bearing Sy. No. 43, Bbnp Katha No. 22043, Gottigere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru With Vitrified Tiles Together With All Amenities, Common Star Case, Balconies, Electricity Connection Etc.boundaries Of Land: East: Re-sy No.61 (quarry), West: Private Property, North: Sy. No.44 And Road, South: Himagin Properties (Sy. Nos. 42 And 130). Reserve Price Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh Only) EMD: Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Only)

PROPERTY 6: All That Piece And Parcel Of Flat No. 107, In First Floor, Block B, Of The Multi Storied Building Known As Pruthvi Royal, Consisting Of Two Bhk Flat With One Covered Car Parking In The Basement With Super Built Up Area Of 1213.18 Sq. Ft. With Undivided Share, Right And Title Measuring 312.78 Sq. Ft. In Land Bearing Sy. No. 43, Bbnp Katha No. 22043, Gottigere Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru With Vitrified Tiles Together With All Amenities, Common Star Case, Balconies, Electricity Connection Etc.boundaries Of Land: East: Re-sy No.61 (quarry), West: Private Property, North: Sy. No.44 And Road, South: Himagin Properties (Sy. Nos. 42 And 130). Reserve Price Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh Only) EMD: Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Only)

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of sub section 8 of section 13, of the sarfaesi act, in respect of the time available, to redeem the secured asset. Public in general and borrowers in particular please take notice that if in case auction scheduled herein falls for any reason whatsoever then secured creditor may enforce security interest by way of sale through private treaty, at the discretion of the secured creditor. In case of any clarification/requirement regarding assets under sale, bidder may contact Mr. Shrinikar (+91 9738931789) & Mr. Rajender Dahiya (+91 8448264515).

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link <https://www.kotak.com/en/bank-auctions.html> provided in kotak mahindra bank website i.e. <http://www.kotak.com/and/or on https://bankauctions.in/>

Place: BANGALORE Date: 28.12.2023 Authorised Officer For Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd.



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S.No1	Indent No	Estimated Cost (Lakhs)
1	DMA/2023-24/BD/WORK_INDENT10735	15.00
2	DMA/2023-24/BD/WORK_INDENT10559	15.00
3	DMA/2023-24/BD/WORK_INDENT10492	69.41
4	DMA/2023-24/BD/WORK_INDENT10903	2.88

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3.ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಮತ್ತು ಬಿಡ್ ತರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 05-01-2024 ರಂದು ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 16:00 ಘಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಬೇಕಾದಲ್ಲಿ ಸ್ಥಳೀಕರಾರರು ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ತಿಳಿಸಿದ ಪೂಜೆಗಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು <http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in> ರಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

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SALE NOTICE
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 30.01.2024 (10.30 AM to 11.00 AM), for recovery of Rs. 53,81,32,269.46 as on 22.12.2023 with further interest and cost thereon due to the ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank from 1. M/S Jaya Shannmuga Projects Pvt Ltd., 2. M/S Jaya Shannmuga Infra Projects Pvt Ltd., 3. M/S Jaya Shannmuga Homes Pvt Ltd., 4. M/S S.V.S. Properties India Pvt Ltd. all 1 to 4 is Rep by its Director Mr SVS Sudheer Babu, No. 216/13, Suraj Towers, 4th Floor, 27th Cross, Jayanagar 3rd Block, Bengaluru - 560011, 5. Sri SVS Sudheer Babu S/o Sri Lakshminarayana Sollyti R/a Flat No 301, 3rd Floor, Nikhili Residency, APT No 576(P-1), 25th Cross, 39th Main, Ideal Homes Township, Halagevaderahalli Rajeshwari Nagar, Bengaluru - 560098, 6. Sri Prashanth Raju S/o Sri Changam Gopinath Raju R/a 74, 3rd Main, 3rd Cross, B.T.M. Layout, 2nd Stage, Bilekahalli, Dollars Layout, Bengaluru - 560076, 7. Sri S.R. Sharath S/o Sri S.R. Chilikar R/a No. 216/13, Suraj Towers, 4th Floor, 27th Cross, Jayanagar 3rd Block, Bengaluru - 560011.

The Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before 29.01.2024 at 5.00 pm by way of DD favouring Authorized Officer, Canara Bank ARM-1 Branch or through online payment to Account No.209272434 (IFSC CNRB0002366) is as under.

Lot No	Description of the immovable assets:	Reserve Price	EMD Amount	Incremental value at Bid
1	Flat No.301 at Nikhili Residency, R R Nagar, Bengaluru in the name of Jaya Shannmuga Projects Pvt Ltd measuring 1607 Sft.	₹. 70.40	₹. 7.04	₹. 1.00
2	Flat No.304 at Nikhili Residency, R R Nagar, Bengaluru in the name of Jaya Shannmuga Projects Pvt Ltd measuring 1131 Sft.	₹. 50.60	₹. 5.60	₹. 1.00

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact Sr Manager, ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No.9448507473 and 9627872626 during office hours on any working day.

Place: Bengaluru Date: 26.12.2023 Sd/- Authorised Officer Canara Bank

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
EXTRA-ORDINARY APPELLATE
JURISDICTION
SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CIVIL) NOS.
23335-23336 OF 2022
with prayer for interim relief
SAVITHRAMMA DEAD BY HER LRS. and
others ... PETITIONER(S)
-VERSUS-
KALAPPA AND OTHERS ...
RESPONDENT(S)
To, 1. Sri. G. Sreenivasareddy, aged about 74 Years, R/At No.228/29, 5th Cross, Bahyanagar, Bengaluru-560 021.
Sd/- 260086/2023 for Common R[28] in SLP(C) No.23335-23336/2022 (Sec IV-A)
2. Sri. H. Jayaraju, aged about 72 Years, R/At No.176/45, 6th Main, 2nd Cross, Rajajinagar, 2nd Stage, "D" Block, Bengaluru-560 010.
Sd/- 260086/2023 for Common R[30] in SLP(C) No.23335-23336/2022 (Sec IV-A)
3. Sri. Suganthanathan, S/o V. Bangaruswamy, C/o Smt. Vijayarani, 332, 1st Main Road, Muthyalanagar, Bengaluru.
PID: 260087/2023 for Common R[37] in SLP(C) No.23335-23336/2022 (Sec IV-A)
WHEREAS the Petition for SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CIVIL) to appeal above mentioned (copy enclosed) filed in the Registry by Ms. E. R. SAMATHY, Advocate on behalf of the Petitioner above named was listed for hearing before this Court on 09th December, 2022, when the Court was pleased to pass the following order:
1. Delay condoned
2. Issue notice, returnable in twelve weeks.
3. Mr Harisha S R, AOR, accepts notice on behalf of Respondent No 39.
4. Pending further orders, status quo shall be maintained as regards the suit property. AND WHEREAS, the matter above mentioned was listed before Hon'ble Judge in Chambers on 13th December 2023, when His Lordship was pleased to pass the following orders:- "1.A.No. 255217/2023 Conventional modes of service having failed insofar as unserved respondent Nos.28, 30 & 37 are concerned, this application has been allowed seeking permission to effect substituted service of notice upon them by way Publication
Mr. Ashwin V. Kotamath, learned counsel, seeks time to ascertain the details of the legal representatives of deceased respondent No.25 and file application(s) in relation thereto. Needful shall be done within four weeks. List thereafter.
NOW, THEREFORE, TAKE NOTICE that the above petition with prayer for interim relief will be posted for hearing before this Court in due course and you may enter appearance before this Court either in person or through an advocate on record of this Court duly appointed by you in that behalf immediately from the date of service of notice.
You may thereafter show cause to the Court on the day that may subsequently be specified as to why Special Leave Petition should be granted. If you fail to show cause and the resultant appeal be not allowed.
You may file your affidavit in opposition to the petition as provided under Rule 41(1) of Order XXI, S.C.R. 2013 within 30 days from the date of receipt of notice or not later than 2 weeks before the date appointed for hearing, whichever be earlier, but shall do so only by setting out the grounds in opposition to the questions of law or grounds set out in the SLPs and may produce such pleadings and documents filed before the Court/Tribunal against whom before the SLP is filed and shall also set out the grounds for not granting interim order for vacating interim order if already granted.
TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if you fail to take appearance as aforesaid, no further notice shall be given to you even after the grant of special leave for hearing of the resultant appeal and the matter above mentioned shall be disposed off in your absence.
Dated:20th December, 2023.
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR



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23342323, E- Mail : mcb_mail@yahoo.com, Website : www.mcbl.in



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POSESSION NOTICE [Rule 8 (1)] (For Immovable property)
Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of The Malleswaram Co-Operative Bank Ltd. Malleswaram Branch under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued a Demand Notice calling upon the undersigned borrowers/ legal heirs to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section (4) of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on below mentioned dates.
The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the The Malleswaram Co-Operative Bank Ltd. Malleswaram Branch for an amount mentioned below together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc., till the date of realization.
The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

1. Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor Name and Address : (1) Sri. Padmanabhan S S/o Late Sundarraj G, (2)Smt. Niranjini Padmanabhan W/o Padmanabhan S. Both are residing at: No.331/2b, Opposite Govt. College, K R Puram Extension, Bangalore-560036.
Demand Notice : 19.10.2023
Possession Notice Dated: 26.12.2023
Balance outstanding: Rs.64,84,896/- [Rupees Sixty Four lakhs Eighty Four Thousand Eight hundred and Ninety Six Only] as on 30/11/2023 and interest thereon.
Description of the property: All that piece and parcel of the Residential Immovable Property bearing site No.18, Khatha No. 228, Old House List No. 331, New Khatha No. 842, Situated at K R Puram New Extension, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore. Khatha No 1052/542. Including all rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto, Constructed the site measuring East To West: 44 Feet, North To South: 32+34/2 Feet, Total Area: 1452 Sq Feet And Bounded as follows East By: Road, West By: Shanthappa's Property, North By: Road, South By: Property belongs to Smt. Jayammal and her grand Son Rajkumar S.

2. Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor Name and Address: (1) Smt. Bhagya W/o Manjunath A (2) Sri. Manjunath A S/o Anjanappa (3) Sri. Keerthan Kumar M S/o Manjunath A. All are residing at No.74/2, Ayyappa Block, Near Ayyappa Temple, Manoranjanapalya R T Nagar, Bangalore - 560032.
Demand Notice : 08.08.2023
Possession Notice Dated: 26.12.2023
Balance outstanding: Rs.98,42,828/- [Rupees Ninety Eight Lakhs Forty Two Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty Eight Only] as on 30/11/2023 and interest thereon.
Description of the property: All that Piece and Parcel of the property bearing site No.35 and 36, In Assessment No.48/1, old BBMP Ward No.96, New BBMP Ward No.33, Situated at 1st Main 4th Cross, Govindappa Layout, Cholanayakanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, Bangalore North Taluk Bengaluru PID No.96-106-48/1/35/36 Including All Rights, Privileges And Appurtenances Thereto, Constructed The Site Measuring East To West : Northern Side 41 Feet, Southern Side 40 Feet, North To South: Western Side 23 Feet, Eastern Side 26 Feet, Totally : 992 Square Feet And Bounded As Follows: East By: Road, West By: Site No.34, North By: Road, South By: Site No.37.

3. Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor Name and Address: (1) Smt. Manjula P Raju W/o Late Parthasarathy Raju G (2) Sri. Vishruddh S/o Late Parthasarathy Raju G. Both are residing at No.194, 39th Main, 10th Cross Behind Central Silk Board, BTM 2nd Stage, Bangalore - 560076.
Demand Notice : 11.05.2023
Possession Notice Dated: 26.12.2023
Balance outstanding: Rs.1,01,23,993/- [Rupees One Crore One Lakh Twenty Three Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Three Only] as on 30/11/2023 and interest thereon.
Description of the property: All That Piece And Parcel of the Residential Immovable Property Bearing Site No.194, Formed By Bank Officers And Officials HBSC Ltd, Situated At Madwala Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore. Presently BBMP Municipal New No.194, Situated At Bank Officers And Officials HBSC Rashtrakavi Kuvempu Nagar Bangalore. Including All Rights, Privileges And Appurtenances Thereto, Constructed The Site Measuring East To West : 30 Feet North To South : 40 Feet Total Area : 1200 Sq Feet And Bounded As Follows: East By : Property No.195, West By : Property No.193, North By : Road, South By : Property No.209.

4. Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor Name and Address : (1) Mr. Shaik Mohamud S B S/o Sheik Budan Sab And Mr Sheik Ahmed S B S/o Sheik Budan Sab Since both are deceased represented by their legal heirs 1) Smt. Sabeeha Jahan W/o Sheik Mohamud 2) Smt. Razya Sultana S M D/o Sheik Mohamud 3) Sri. Sheik Geelani S M S/o Sheik Mohamud 4) Sri. Shaik Rabbani S/o Sheik Mohamud 5) Smt. Khairunnisa W/o Sheik Ahmed 6) Sri. Sheik Afzal SA S/o Sheik Ahmed 7) Sri. Sheik Akram S A S/o Sheik Ahmed. All Are Residing At: No.58, 3rd Cross, Mosque Road, Bismilla Nagar, B G Road, Bangalore-560029.
Demand Notice : 11.07.2023
Possession Notice Dated: 26.12.2023
Balance outstanding: Rs.1,22,49,056/- [Rupees One Crore Twenty Two lakhs Forty Nine Thousand and Fifty Six Only] as on 30/11/2023 and interest thereon.
Description of the property: Item No.-1: Property Bearing Portion Of No.73/3, Of Suddaganipalya New No.4, 7th Cross, 2nd Main Road, Bismilla Nagar, Bangalore, including all rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto, constructed the site measuring East To West : 29+22/2 Feet North To South: 43+43/2 Feet and bounded as follows East By : S B Shaik Mohamed And Shaik Ajmed's Property, West By: Road, North By : Remaining Portion Of Same Property, South By: Road.
Item No.-2: Property Bearing Site No.25-73 New Corporation No.25, Situated At Thavarekere, Bangalore, including all rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto, constructed the site measuring East To West : 30 Feet North To South: 70 Feet and bounded as follows East By : Property No.26, West By : Private Property, North By : Private Property, South By : Road.
Above Properties Presently Bearing BBMP Municipal New No.18, Old No.25/4, Situated at Masjid Main Road, Bismilla Nagar, Gurappana Palya, Bangalore, PID No.64-93-18, Totally measuring as per khatha extract 2473 Sq Feet.

5. Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor Name and Address : 1.Sri Venkatesh P S/o Puttasimegowda 2. Smt.madhu S W/o Venkatesh P. Both are residing at: No.116, 5th Cross, 13th Block, 3rd Main Near Mk Ahmed Retail Store, 2nd Stage Nagarabhatta, Bangalore -560072.
Demand Notice : 06.10.2023
Possession Notice Dated: 26.12.2023
Balance outstanding: Rs.2,94,31,095/- [Rupees Two Crore Ninety Four Lakhs Thirty One Thousand and Ninety Five Only] as on 30/11/2023 and interest thereon.
Description of the property: All that piece and parcel of the Property Bearing New No.7, Old No.11, old Khatha No.36 and 37, New No.18 and Site No.4, Old No.11, Old Katha No.36 and 37 New No.18, Now BBMP Khatha No.437, Old Katha No.144, Site No.4 and 7, in Sy No.36, New Property No.437/36/37/18, Situated at Chinnappannahalli Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Earlier Bangalore South Taluk, Now comes under the Jurisdiction of BBMP, BBMP Ward No.85, Doddanekundi, Bangalore including all rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto, constructed the site measuring East To West : Northern Side 50.6 Feet, Southern Side 27 Feet, North To South : Eastern side 104 Feet, Western Side 123.3 Feet, Total Measuring : 5252 Sq Feet and bounded as follows East By : Road, West By : Road & Private Property, North By : Private Property No.8, South By : Road.

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Malleswaram Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,



Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd
(FORMERLY KNOWN AS EQUITAS FINANCE LTD)
Registered Office : No.769, Spencer Plaza, 4th Floor, Phase-II, Anna Salai, Chennai - 600002.

DEMAND NOTICE - NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002

NOTICE is hereby given that the following borrower/s have availed loan from Equitas Housing Finance Limited (EHFL) / Equitas Finance Limited (EFL) / Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd (ESFB). The said borrower/s had/have failed to pay installments and their loan account has been classified as Non-Performing Asset as per the guidelines issued by RBI. The details of the secured immovable property/ies, loan and the amounts outstanding as on date payable by the borrower/s are mentioned below. The borrower(s) and the public in general are informed that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer, the secured creditor has initiated action against the following borrower(s) under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 and not to deal with the said property, on failure to repay the outstanding dues indicated against their names within 60 (Sixty) days of this notice, the undersigned will exercise any one or more of the powers under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, including power to take possession of the property/ies and sell the same

SR NO	Name of the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s) (NAME OF THE BRANCH)	13(2) Notice Date Claim Amount	Description of Secured Asset (Immovable Property)
1	Branch: HSR LAYOUT L.No: SEHRLT0137257 Borrower: Mr. Sathishkumar Co applicant: Mrs.Shanthamma	03-10-2023 & Rs.1,65,196/-	All the piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Khatha No.95, property No.95, situated at Sanjeev nagara, Huskur, Sarjapura hobli, Anekal tq, Bangalore Measuring from East-West 30ft and north-south 40 ft total extent is 1200 sqft. North by: Property belongs to Nagarathamma, South by: Road, East By: Property belongs to Gundappa, West by: Property belongs to Anjeenappa . Measurement :East-West 30ft and north-south 40 ft total extent is 1200 Sq. Feet. Situated at within the Sub-Registration District of Sarjapura and Registration District of Bangalore

Date - 28.12.2023, Place - Bangalore Authorized officer, Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd



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Registered Office: 27 BKC, C-27, G Block, Bandra Kurla Complex Building (E) Mumbai, Maharashtra. Pin Code-400 051 Branch Office : No.22, ING Vysya House, M.G. Road, Bengaluru - 560 001 Karnataka

ARM-1 Branch
2nd Floor, Circle Office, No.86, Spencer Tower,
M.G. Road Bengaluru-560001
(A Government Of India Undertaking) PH: 080 25588642, E-mail: cb6298@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 19.01.2024 (10.30 AM to 11.00 AM), for recovery of Rs. 5,10,99,918.87/- with further interest and cost thereon due to the ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank from (1) M/S Sri Udipi Park, Sy No. 87, Alok Plaza, Sadamangala Industrial area opposite ITPL, Whitefield Road Bangalore-560017, (2) Mr. Keradi Chandrasekhar Shetty, No. 26, 4th Floor, Shree Enclave, N Colony, Murugeshpalya, Bangalore-560017 (3) Mr. Sathish Shetty, No. 209, C Wing, 2nd Floor, Trifecta Starlight Apartment, Mahadevapura, Bangalore-560048, (4) Mr. Ravindra Sheena Mogaveera, No. 1409, C Wing, 4th Floor, Trifecta Starlight Apartment, Mahadevapura, Bangalore-560048, (5) Mrs. Nagarathna G., No. 18/2, 10th cross, Near Shanmahantha Temple, HAL 3rd Stage, Kodihalli, Bangalore-560008.

The Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before 18.01.2024 at 5.00 pm by way of DD favouring Authorized Officer Canara Bank ARM-1 Branch or through online payment to Account No.209272434 (IFSC CNRB0002366) is as under.

SI No	Description of the Immovable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental Value of the Bid
1	All that piece of residential plot situated at No.95, PID no. 74-58-95 (Earlier bearing HASB Khata no. 207/B) in Sy no. 18/2 situated at Kodihalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore measuring 2090 sq.ft. and bounded: East- Private Property, West- Private Property, North- Private Property, South- Road.	Rs. 177.48	Rs. 17.75	Rs. 1.00

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact Chief Manager, ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No.9448507473 and 9627872626 during office hours on any working day.

Place: Bengaluru Date: 27.12.2023 Sd/- Authorised Officer Canara Bank



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Sensex hits 72,000 level for 1st time on global cues

Shipping cos resuming ops via Red Sea, Fed rate cut hope boost mkt

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

DOMESTIC equity market registered a gain for the fourth successive session on Wednesday, with two benchmark indices NSE Nifty50 and BSE Sensex clocking all-time highs.

The NSE index hit a fresh lifetime high of 21,673, while the BSE index crossed the 72,000 level for the first time. The 30-share index had scaled the 70,000 mark for the first time on December 11 and the 71,000 mark on December 15.

At Wednesday's close, Sensex was up 701.63 points or 0.98% at 72,038.43, and the Nifty was up 213.40 points or 1% at 21,654.80. Vinod Nair, head of research at Geojit Financial Services, said this upward trend was

mainly supported by the Santa Claus rally in anticipation of early rate cuts by the US Fed and cooling global inflation. Additionally, the news of major shipping companies resuming operations through the Red Sea despite ongoing tensions further bolstered domestic sentiment.

The bullish momentum in domestic market is so strong that Sensex and Nifty50 have surged about 13-14% each since the beginning of November 2023. The ongoing rally picked up a pack after the victory of PM Narendra Modi-led Bharatiya Janata Party in three state elections. The market received another booster after the US

Federal Reserve signalled three rate cuts in 2024. The developments coupled with favourable factors such as sharp growth in September quarter GDP numbers, robust GST revenue, a fall in retail inflation, and easing of bond yields have made India an attractive market, mainly for foreign institutional investors (FIIs).

"We expect the prevailing move to extend further and eyeing 22,150 levels (for Nifty). We feel alignment of the banking index and supportive global cues would continue to play a crucial role in maintaining momentum, else the move could be gradual," said Ajit Mishra, SVP - Technical Research, Religare Broking. Broader indices, too, advanced, with Nifty Midcap 100 and Nifty Smallcap 100 rising to 0.6%. Analysts have asked investors to remain cautious. "There is frenzy in the mid and small-cap segments where valuations are excessive. A correction in broader market is inevitable," said VK Vijayakumar, chief investment strategist at Geojit Financial Services.

HDFC Bank, Bharti Airtel, Infosys, Tata Motors, L&T and State Bank of India (SBI) were among the top gainers in the Sensex pack on Wednesday. Aditya Birla Group shares had an eventful day on the exchange as shares of Hindalco Industries hit a fresh 52-week high of Rs 607.65 apiece on the NSE after the company announced acquiring a 26% stake in Seven Renewable Power Private Limited (SRPPL).

Wipro files suit against ex-CFO Dalal

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

Information technology company Wipro has filed a lawsuit against its former chief financial officer Jatin Dalal who joined rival Cognizant this month.

Earlier in September, Cognizant had announced Dalal will succeed Jan Siegmund, and will report to the company's chief executive officer Ravi Kumar S. Wipro has initiated legal proceedings in civil court in Bengaluru.

Though Wipro and Cognizant didn't respond to queries, it is said Dalal has requested the court to move the matter to arbitration and that a hearing is scheduled on January 3.

Dalal joined Wipro in 2002 and became chief financial officer in April 2015 and also assumed additional responsibilities as President beginning in December 2019.

Previously, he was CFO of



Wipro's Global IT Business from 2011 to 2015, and prior to that, he served as Wipro's UK head of finance for the Europe region and as the global finance head of energy & utilities, health care, and manufacturing business units.

The reason for the legal action is unclear. This comes days after the IT company filed a complaint against Mohd Haque, a former senior vice-president and head of healthcare and

medical devices - Americas, alleging a violation of the non-compete clause in his employment contract. He moved from the company before expiration of the non-compete clause that was set until August 1, 2023. He joined Cognizant recently. Wipro has seen many senior-level exits this year including operations head Sanjeev Singh, India business head Satya Easwaran, Americas Two CFO Nithin V Jagannathan, IDEAS business head Rajan Kohli, and Americas One CFO Kamini Shah. Senior VP Ashish Saxena also exited the firm recently.

Meanwhile, reports claim Infosys sent a written communication to Cognizant as a few

senior employees quit to join the firm. Queries sent to Infosys and Cognizant didn't elicit any response.

Cognizant CEO Ravi Kumar, an Infosys veteran, took over as CEO in January, and hired many senior executives from Wipro and Infosys.

Talking about senior-level exits, Sachin Alug, chief executive officer, NLB Services, said, "As IT industry navigates multiple cost-cutting steps and a muted hiring outlook, we conjecture that leaders joining rival firms may stem from firms going above and beyond to find strategic leadership to win over economic uncertainties and a vision backed by agility and adaptability."

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Collections, controversies hit new high for GST in '23

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

EVEN as 2023 draws to a close, goods and services tax (GST) remains a work in progress. While it saw its fair share of controversies, the year saw GST revenue collection hitting a new peak.

In April 2023, the monthly GST collection of ₹1.87 lakh crore was the highest ever. This milestone was followed by yet another robust month in October, with collections reaching ₹1.72 lakh crore - the second-highest since the introduction of GST in 2017.

In the period from January to November 2023, the total GST revenue stood at ₹17.96 lakh crore, marking a substantial increase of 12.25% in year-on-year growth. One notable achievement was the increased frequency of meetings held by the GST Council, which convened four times in 2023 as against just two meetings held in the preceding year. The Finance Ministry notified 31 benches of the GST Appellate Tribunal (GSTAT) across all states and Union Territories was a welcome initiative.

These state-level benches aim to expedite dispute resolution,



providing businesses with a swifter recourse than the burdened High Courts. However, the year was not without its share of challenges and controversies. Gaming companies found themselves at the epicenter of a controversy, as 71 show-cause notices were served by GST authorities, alleging GST evasion amounting to a staggering ₹1.12 lakh crore for the fiscal year 2022-23 and the first seven months of 2023-24.

The dispute centered on whether games of skill, when played with money, should be categorized as betting or gambling. The contention intensified following a GST Council amendment in August 2023, which mandated a 28% GST rate on all online games involving bets, irrespective of skill or chance.

Jio, IIT-B to launch Bharat GPT: Akash Ambani

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

COUNTRY'S largest telecom service provider Reliance Jio is working with the Indian Institute of Technology-Bombay to launch a Bharat GPT programme.

Akash Ambani, Chairman of Reliance Jio Infocomm, announced this initiative during the institute's annual Techfest.

Ambani also mentioned that the company is planning to introduce an operating system for television and has already begun developing one.

The Jio Chairman further said, "At present we have only scratched the surface with



large language models and generative AI, and the next decade will be defined by these applications."

Regarding artificial intelligence, Ambani said it would

transform every area of products and services. The company plans to launch artificial intelligence not only as a vertical inside its organisation but also horizontally across all our sectors.

The company will introduce products and services in the media space, commerce, communication, and also devices, he added.

"We have been working on our own operating system (OS) for a while now for the TVs, and we are comprehensively thinking about how to launch it," Ambani said. Ambani referred to India as the "biggest innovation centre" for

the next decade and expressed confidence that the country will be a \$6 trillion economy by the end of the decade. Akash Ambani also talked about offering 5G private networks by Reliance Jio.

Referring to Jio as the largest start-up in the world, Ambani emphasised the importance for young entrepreneurs not to fear failure.

Ambani encouraged entrepreneurs to work for societal good, especially when dealing with the consumer space, and urged everyone to be deeply passionate about the work they do.

Canara Bank nod for MF arm's listing

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

BENGALURU-based public sector lender Canara Bank has said its board has given in-principle approval to initiate the process of listing its mutual fund subsidiary Canara Robeco Asset Management Company in the stock exchanges by way of Initial Public Offer (IPO).

"The modalities of listing will be decided in due course.

The bank will make further announcements of all material developments with regard to the same, as and when required, as per applicable regulations," the bank said in a regulatory filing.

Canara Robeco Asset Management Company is the 15th largest mutual fund house in the country with total asset under management of Rs 74,916 crore. The AMC made Rs 79

crore profit in 2022-23 on total revenue of Rs 203 crore.

Canara Bank holds a majority 51% stake in the mutual fund subsidiary. The rest of 49% is held by Orix Corporation Europe.

Currently only four asset management companies - HDFC AMC, Aditya Birla Sun Life AMC, Nippon Life Asset Management and UTI AMC - are listed on Indian bourses.

Total Energies invests \$300 million in Adani Green, 2 firms complete JV

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Chennai

TOTAL ENERGIES has invested \$300 million in Adani Green Energy Limited (AGEL) subsidiary for acquiring 50% stake in its projects, the company said in a statement.

The two companies have completed a joint venture (JV) announced in September. The JV houses a 1,050 MW portfolio consisting of already operational (300 MW), under construction (500 MW) and under development assets (250 MW) with a blend of both solar and wind power projects in India.

With this transaction, Total Energies has reinforced its alliance with AGEL and support in enabling AGEL's target of 45 GW capacity by 2030, Adani Green Energy said in a statement.

Meanwhile, Adani Energy



Solutions Limited (AESL), part of Adani Group's power transmission and distribution company, said it has received the Letter of Intent for the acquisition of Halvad Transmission from PFC Consulting Limited (PFCL).

The Halvad Transmission, a special purpose vehicle (SPV), has been set up by PFCL for evacuating 7 gigawatt (GW) of renewable energy from Khavda

RE park, under Phase III, the company said in exchange filings. AESL won the project through tariff-based competitive bidding process and will commission the project in the next 24 months on build, own, operate, and maintain basis.

AESL would be investing ₹3,000 crore to build, own, operate and maintain the 301 km transmission project for a period of 35 years. The project includes setting up of 765 kV Halvad switching station. With this project, AESL's network reached installed and under-commissioning to 20,518 km and 53,161 megawatt ampere (MVA) of transformation capacity.

AESL also entered into a definitive agreement for the formation of a JV with the UAE-based Esyasoft Holdings (EHL) to implement Smart Metering projects in India and globally.

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

ELECTRIC vehicle (EV) sales have surged to a fresh high in calendar year 2023 (CY23) even as the two-wheeler (e2W) segment faced a severe blow following the government's decision to lower the subsidy availed under the Fame 2 Scheme.

According to Vahan data, total EV sales in the first eleven months of CY23 stood at 1,387,114 units, a jump of 50% year-on-year (YoY). In the full CY2022, total electric vehicle sales were recorded at 10.03 lakh units.

e2W sales stood at 783,128 (up 38% YoY) units in the Jan-Nov 2023 period, accounted for 56% of total EV sales. Electric three-wheeler (e3W) sales stood at 524,949 units (up 67% YoY) and had a 38% share. At 74,290 units

(up 145% YoY), electric car (eCar) share in total sales stood at 5.35% in the reported period.

The e2W industry hit a speed bump in June when sales nosedived to 46,000 units from 1.04 lakh units in May. This came after the revised FAME-II subsidy made e2Ws expensive by up to ₹30,000 per unit.

"When the subsidy amount was slashed, the entire industry witnessed a dip in sales for a quarter considering the revised price point of EVs," said Kapil Shelke, founder and chief executive officer of TORK Motors.

Shelke added that increased awareness along with an industry-wide impact led to a revival of EV sales and from September onwards the industry noticed growth and recorded the best sales during the festive

EV SALES	
Jan-Nov '23	1,387,114 units
Jan-Nov '22	924,111 units
Growth	50%
Sub segment sales	
Two-wheelers	783,128 (up 38% YoY)
Three-wheelers	524,949 (up 67% YoY)
ePVs	74,290 (up 145%)

season.

The Fame disruption also changed the market dynamics of the e2W industry. For Example, Hero Electric and Okinawa AutoTech, which not so long ago were among the top 3 players, have seen a sharp drop in sales.

The e2W industry is now led

by Ola Electric, TVS Motors and Ather Energy. Meanwhile, Tata Motors continues to dominate the electric car segment with a share of almost 80%.

"We are in the early stages of the EV transformation and although we've made progress, we still have a tremendous amount of work to reach mass market adoption," said Horace Luke, Founder & CEO of Gogoro.

"Together, the industry must bring safer, more dependable, and easy-to-use vehicles to market that utilize innovative refuelling systems like smart battery swapping. The stage is set for tremendous growth and for India to be an example to the rest of the world," added Luke whose company recently introduced its first India-made Smartscooter, the CrossOver GX250.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General public that my client intends to purchase the southern portion of the factory land bearing industrial site No.29, in Timber Yard Layout I Stage, Presently property No. 292, New Timber Yard Layout, Mysore Road Bangalore, Corporation Ward No. 41, New Ward No.157, measuring as East-West : toward northern side 3-6 feet, towards southern side 32 feet, North-South: towards eastern side : 86 feet, towards western side 86 feet, together with another piece towards southern side measuring, East-West: toward Northern side 32 feet, towards southern side 19 feet, and North-South : towards eastern side:14 feet, towards western side:35 feet, in all 2,195.62 Sq. Feet, consisting with 30 square RCC ware house (SF-2) and bounded on: East by : Property No. 30, West by : Remaining portion of same property, North by: Remaining portion of same property, South by: Road, from its owner Mr. V. Shivali Rao. Any person's asserting any kind of right, title, interest or claims of any sort towards the Sale transaction may file their objections or claims with documentary proof thereof with the undersigned within Seven days from the date of this publication, failing which my clients will proceed to complete the transaction without being liable for any claims put forth thereof.

SATHYA, M.N. ADVOCATE

No.451, 13th Main, 1st Floor, 80 Feet Road, BSK 1st Stage, Mysore Bank Colony, Bengaluru-50. M: 98802 44299 Bengaluru, Date : 27/12/2023

PUBLIC NOTICE

The notice is hereby given to public that our client Smt. K. Kavitha W/o. Mahesh J is the absolute owner of schedule property and she is intending to mortgage the schedule property and avail loan from Piramal Capital and Housing Finance Limited. If any person or persons or financial institution or Bank has any claim over the schedule property or any person or persons claim any right, title or interest, over the schedule property, the same may be lodged with the undersigned within seven days from today, along with relevant documents, failing which it will be presumed that the schedule property is free from any such claim and any claim received thereafter will not bind my client and would not be considered by my client.

SCHEDULE :

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No.825 Assessment No.47.1, Situated at Andrahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, presently within the limits of BBMP Ward No.40, measuring East to West-40 ft, North to South: 30 ft, in all measuring 1200 sqft bounded on the: East by Property belongs to Anusuya, West by Road, North by Property belongs to Radhakrishna, South by Property belongs to Ramanna.

V.L. Associates

Advocates
No.56, Out House, 19th Main Road, 2nd Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560 010, Ph:94819 00851/9743323668, Place: Bangalore Date: 27.12.2023

Ballari City Corporation, Ballari.

CHANGE IN TENDER NOTIFICATION

No: CCB/ENG/ELE/Tender/P10/2023-24 Date: 26.12.2023
Tenders are invited for the Various works under 15th finance 2023-24 in Ballari City corporation Limits through New e-proc Portal on 21.12.2023 with indent No-10164, 10166(ST),10172 (SC), 10398, 10399, has been changed to New Indent No 10656, 10657 (ST), 10658(SC), 10659, 10660 due to technical error in KPPP portal, for more information please visit <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/#/portal/portal-home> and no other changes in that publication. For further details contact this office Phone No: 08392-273479

Sd/- Commissioner
Ballari City Corporation, Bellary

ODISHA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(A Government of Odisha Undertaking)
Regd. Office: Janpath, Bhubaneswar-751022
CIN:U40102OR2004SGC007553

CAD-3461 TENDER ALERT

1)E-TENDER NOTICE NO.- HRD-03/2023-24 : Bids are invited from reputed Firms/ Agencies for Providing Comprehensive Facility and Management Services (CFMS) for Tech Tower Building, Bhubaneswar.
2)E-TENDER NOTICE NO.- CGM(Tel)-03/2023-24 : Bids are invited from reputed EPC/Turnkey contractors for Engineering, Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of equipment for data and speech communication between MCL Nandira and SLDC, Bhubaneswar through OPGW on turnkey contract basis.
Complete set of bidding documents are available at www.tenderwizard.com/OPTCL and www.optcl.co.in.
HIPR-52/2023-24 OIPR-04011/11/0155/2324
①①①/optcl.odisha ②/optcl_odisha

Mail ID :- sepwdsbp@rediffmail.com

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER,
NORTHERN (R&B) CIRCLE SAMBALPUR

e- Procurement
B-1502 BID IDENTIFICATION NO CCECN (R AND B) /29/ 2023-24
No. 7028 Dtd. 21.12.2023

- The Chief Construction Engineer, Northern (R&B) Circle, Sambalpur on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites Percentage Rate bids in double cover system in **ON-LINE MODE** for the construction of Road, Bridge and Building works as detailed in the DTCN from the eligible class of contractors
- No. of works = 08 (EIGHT) (Road, Bridge & Building Works)
- Tender Cost: Rs.10,000/-
- Class of contractor: "B", "A" and "Special" Class
- Date & time of available in web site & receipt of Bids From 28.12.2023 to 17.00 Hours of 12.01.2024.
- Date of opening of Technical Bid 12.01.2024 at 18.00 Hours.
- The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website www.tendersodisha.gov.in.
- Any corrigendum / Addendum will be displayed in the website www.tender-sodisha.gov.in.

Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer
Northern (R&B) Circle, Sambalpur OIPR- 34035/11/0033/2324

District Urban Development Cell, Vijayanagara
District, Hospete-583201

No: DUDCV/SWM/LW/2023-24 Date: 26.12.2023
TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Project Director, District Urban Development Cell, Vijayanagara District Invites tenders using KW-6 & 4 standard tender Bid documents from Eligible contractors / Agencies for Selection of agency for bioremediation of legacy waste in hosapete, hadagali, harapanahalli, kalmalapur, hagarbommanhalli, kudaligi & kottur ulbs of vijayanagara district as per central pollution control board guidelines and national green tribunal directions under Amruth 2.0 grants & ULB's share as below.

- ULB Name & Indent Number : Selection of agency for bioremediation of legacy waste in hosapete, hadagali, harapanahalli, kalmalapur, hagarbommanhalli, kudaligi & kottur ulbs of vijayanagara district as per central pollution control board guidelines and national green tribunal directions (INDENT NO.- DMA/2023-24/OW/WORK_INDENT433/CALL-2). Amount put to tender (Rs.In Lakhs) : 1224.05 EMD (Rs.In Lakhs) : 15.00.
- Pre Bid Meeting : 10.01.2024 at 11.00 hrs. 2) Last date & time for tender queries / clarifications : 16.01.2024 at 17.00 hrs. 3) Last date and time for receipt of tenders : 28.01.2024 at 16.30 hrs. 4) Date & time for opening of Prequalification bids : 29.01.2024 at 17.00 hrs. 5) Date & time for opening of Technical bids : 30.01.2024 at 17.00 hrs. 6) Date & time for opening of Financial bids : 31.01.2024 at 17.00 hrs. 7) Auto extension of tender schedule : 07 days.

Interested Services/ firms shall register on the Public procurement platform <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> to participate in this tender. Contractors can download the tender documents from the e-procurement platform. Tenders shall be submitted electronically at EMD and tenders processing fee shall also be paid electronically.

Sd/- Project Director
District Urban Development Cell
Vijayanagara District
DIPR/VIJAYANAGARA/289/2023-24/DESHPADE PUBLICITY

KALYAN KARNATAKA ROAD TRANSPORT
CORPORATION VIJAYAPUR DIVISION

NO:KKRTC:VJP:TR:COMM :2023-24 Dated:00.12.2023

E-TENDER PUBLICATION NO: 713/23/E-16

Division invited E-Tender (through E-Procurement) for Commercial Shops, Refreshment Rooms, Open Space of Various Bus Stands of Vijayapur Division, (Including Newly constructed shops) detailed schedule of e-tender is as below.

- Last Date for submitting online application: 16.01.2024 Up to 17.30 PM.
- E-Tender Opening Date & Time :18.01.2024 10.00 am onward

Note: Contractors have to submit EMD Amount & All Documents through E-Procurement Only.

For details visit <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> (New Version of E-procurement Department) or Contact D.T.O :7760992252 or Commercial Case Worker (Traffic Section) Athani Road Near New Sattalite Bus Stand, Vijayapur @ Divisional Office during office hours.

Sd/- Divisional Controller,
K.K.R.T.C Vijayapur Division.
ವಾಸಾಸಂ/ವಿಜಯಪುರ/354/ಸೆಪ್ ಎಂಪಿಎ/2023-24

Town Municipal Council Athani

Near Dr.B R Ambedkar circle, Athani-591304 Dist: Belagavi.
Landline:08289-251137 Website:www.athanitown.mrc.gov.in
ಕ್ರಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಪಸಂ/ಆಡಳಿತ:ವಾ.ಬೆಂ:ದರ:2022-23 ದಿನಾಂಕ:26-12-2023

Tender Notice Through E-Procurement Portal
(KTPP Act-2000)

Tender called for Eligible Contractors and Suppliers, Interested can Apply Through E-Procurement Portal.

P.No:1.Work or Goods Indent Number:DMA/2023-24/IND0577, Estimate Cost (Rs. in Lakhs):56.25,EMD Amount in Rs:140625.

N.I.T Publication date (E-portal) Date : 26-12-2023, Last date prescribed for submission of Bids Date: 01-01-2024, Opening of Technical Bids Date 03-01-2024, Opening of Financial Bids Date 04-01-2025, More Information can be availed Website: www.athanitown.mrc.gov.in & <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in>

Sd/- Administrator
TMC Athani & AC Chikkodi
DIPR/BGMA/NO-NO-836/KSMCA/2023-24

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture, Bommanahalli Zone, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, Beguru Main Road, C.M.C Building, Bengaluru

No: SADH/BBMP/BZ/PR/105/2023-24 Date: 27.12.2023

TENDER CORRIGENDUM

Sub: Revision in the dates published earlier in the tender notification

Ref: Tender Notification No: SADH(Bomm)/BBMP/TENDER /02/2023-24 Date: 20.12.2023

With reference to the above subject, in the notified tender the dates are modified as mentioned below due to technical reasons. Rest no other changes.

Particulars	As Assigned Tender Notification Date	As per Corrigendum date
Last date for submission of bids to maintenance work tender through online	30.12.2023 at 4:30 pm	06.01.2024 at 4:30 pm
Opening of Technical Bid	02.01.2024 at 11:30 am	08.01.2024 at 11:30 am
Opening of Financial Bid	After approval of Technical Bid	After approval of Technical Bid

Sd/- Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture, Bommanahalli Zone

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
(SHIVA & SHIMSHA HYDRO POWER STATION)
CIN: U85110KA1970SGC001919

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through KPP Portal only) (Two Cover System)
Item wise tenders are invited through Gok e-procurement website <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> from bidders having adequate experience in execution of similar works and financial turnover for the following works :
1) KPCL/2023-24/PS/WORK_INDENT1028 dtd: 20.12.2023 : Supply, Testing and Commissioning of 02 stage 05 HP reciprocating type Air Compressor (oil cooled) of 220 ltr air tank with a suitable fabricated trolley with 30Mtr air tube and spray painting kit to Shiva HES. EMD: Rs. 3,771/-
Work Completion Period : 60 Days from the date of handing over of site. **2) KPCL/2023-24/PS/WORK_INDENT 1043 dtd: 23.12.2023 :** Removal of silt from Shiva forebay area at Shiva H Conducting PD, DLA and other tests on Generator Station Insulation and furnishing Report for 8.6MW, 0.85pf, 2.2kV Generator of Unit-2 at Shimsha HES'S. EMD: Rs. 6,715/-
Work Completion Period : 30 Days from the date of handing over of site. Last date & time for online submission of bids (for SI.No. 1): **04.01.2024 upto 17.00 Hrs. (for SI.No. 2): 02.01.2024 upto 17.00 Hrs.** Further details can be had from the **Executive Engineer (EM&O) Shiva / Executive Engineer (O&M), Shimsha, KPCL, Shimshapura-571430, Malavalli Tq, Mandya Dist. Karnataka, Mobile: 94482 90735, email: eeeomshivakpcl@gmail.com, eeshimshakpcl@gmail.com,**

ಕೆನರಾ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್ Canara Bank
Kannamangala Branch
Ph : 9483533800
Email: cb3800@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/ physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Kannamangala Branch of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is" on 31.01.2024, for recovery of Rs. 88,81,426.10 as on 01.12.2023 + Interest and Expenses There on due to the Kannamangala Branch of Canara Bank from Mr Sudhakar Shetty and Mrs. Latha Shetty.

The reserve price will be Rs 35,78,500.00/- (Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Seventy Eight Thousand. Five Hundred Only) and the earnest money deposit will be Rs 3,57,850.00/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Fifty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty only). The Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before 29/01/2024 by 5 pm.

Details and full description of the immovable property
EMT with MODDT of flat No G09 in the GROUND floor of the building with a super built up area of 1160 sqft along with one car parking space and an undivided share equivalent to 345 sqft in the building being built by M/S GARUDA BUILDERS, Thirumenahalli village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore on vacant converted property formed in Sy. No. 26/3 (old SY NO 26 Portion of present BBMP KATHA NO 78/26/3) and situated at Thirumenahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, along with one covered car parking space. EAST BY:- Remaining Portion of same Sy No 26/3, WEST BY:- Road, NORTH BY:- Road & Gramatana Property belonging to the owners & Presently House Property belonging to Sri. Kanthappa, SOUTH BY:- Chowdappa's Land
Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact Ms. U L SINDHURA, Canara Bank, Kannamangala Branch (Ph.No. 9483533800), e-mail id: cb3800@canarabank.com during office hours on any working day.
Place: Kannamangala Date: 26.12.2023
Sd/-Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

Agricultural Produce Market
Committee, Bagepalli-561207
Chikkaballapura District

E-mail: apmcbagepalli2007@gmail.com, Office: 08150-282708.
No.: APMC(B)238/2023-24 Date: 22.12.2023

E-Tender Notification

Competitive E-Tenders are invited as per kw-4 in e-tender website <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/> by PWD- class-1 civil contractors for providing CONSTRUCTION OF CC ROAD RCC DRAIN & COMPOUND WALL TOMATO SMY PEREGODU OF APMC BAGEPALLI UNDER RIDF-29 SCHEME 2023-24. Amount put to tender: Rs. 2,50,57,292.00 EMD: Rs. 3,75,900.00 Period for completion: 5.5 Months. Pre Bid Meeting on Date: 04.01.2024, 11.00 A.M. Last Date of Receipt of tenders Date: 10.01.2024 up to 04.00 P.M. Terms and conditions and other information obtained from Office of the APMC Bagepalli, chikkaballapura District and From the above mentioned website.

Sd/- Secretary
Apmc, Bagepalli
Sd/- Administrator
Apmc, Bagepalli

Government of Karnataka
(Public Works Department)
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE
ENGINEER PWD DIVISION BIDAR

NO: EE/PWD/DIVN/BDR/KRDB/JE-5/ 2023-24/2634
Date: 22.12.2023

INVITATION FOR TENDERS

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, The Executive Engineer, PWD Division Bidar invites Tenders from eligible Tenderers for the WORK_INDENT NO. PWD/2023-24/BD/ROD /OW/WORK_INDENT (General 01) 6346. Amount put to tender for the work are Minimum & Maximum Rs. 378.38 Lakhs. Tender documents may be downloaded from the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal of the Govt of Karnataka Viz. <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> on 22.12.2023. Tenders must be submitted through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal on or before 16.00 hours on 08.01.2024. Further any other information can be seen from the e-procurement portal or can be had from the undersigned.
Note :- Turn over certificate Without UDI Number will not be considered.

SD/- Executive Engineer,
PWD Division Bidar.
DIPR/Bidar/200/KSMC&A/2023-24

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No: CEE/THZ/EE/CY37/2023-24 Date: 22.12.2023

Tender Notification (Through KPPP mode only)

KPTCL invites tenders for the following works from the reissued KPWD contractors having EPF registration and fulfilling the other requirement as in NIT Transmission Zone, KPTCL, Hassan

- (1) Tender Indent No: KPTCL/2023-24/OW/WORK_INDENT388 for "Construction of cement concrete road with storm water drain and gates all-round 220kv SRS control room building at Kavor, Mangaluru. Reserved Caste: General.
- (2) Tender Indent No: KPTCL/2023-24/OW/WORK_INDENT389 for "Construction of compound wall to 110kv sub-station land at Gurupura-2nd phase". Reserved Caste: SC.
- (3) Tender Indent No: KPTCL/2023-24/OW/WORK_INDENT390 for "Construction of retaining wall /compound wall for 110kv sub-station land at Nandikoor -2nd phase ". Reserved Caste: General.
- (4) Tender Indent No: KPTCL/2023-24/OW/WORK_INDENT391 for "Construction of approach road with drain to KPTCL colony and 110kv sub-station at Nittur." Reserved Caste: ST.
- (5) Tender Indent No: KPTCL/2023-24/OW/WORK_INDENT392 for "Construction of compound wall for 110kv sub-station land at Kulasekara-2nd phase Mangaluru". Reserved Caste: General.

For detailed information and to participate in the tender through KPPP mode please visit our website <https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in> hyperlink "e procurement kptcl" or directly you can access the tendering website <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> on or afternoon 3.00PM on 29.12.2023 any other details may be obtained from the office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Chief Engineer, Electy., Transmission Zone, KPTCL,
3rd Floor, Prasanna Bhavana, Santhepete,
B.M. Road, Hassan-573 201. Tel.: 08172-231051.

ಕೆನರಾ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್ Canara Bank
Thanisandra Branch, Bangalore
e-mail: cb10686@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property charged to the Secured Creditor, the Constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of , Thanisandra Branch Bangalore of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is" without any recourse on 23.01.2024 for recovery of Rs 96,02,045.52 (Rupees ninety Six Lakhs Two Thousand Forty Five and Paise Fifty Two only) as on 20.12.2023 plus further interest and cost from 21.12.2023 due to the,Thanisandra Branch of Canara Bank from Borrowers Lakshmi V.S. The reserve price of the property is mentioned here below and the earnest money deposit (EMD) is 10% of Reserve Price of the property.

Reserve Price (Lakh Rupees)	Earnest Money Deposit (Lakh Rupees)
Rs.45,52,000.00	Rs.4,56,000.00

The Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before 21.01.2024 up to 4.00 pm.

Details and full description of the property(ies): Residential Apartment bearing 2 BHK vacant Flat No. 105 (Finishing work pending) on the 1st Floor, Block B, Wing D in the building known as Sri Krishna Excel Stone Apartments, Sy. No.s 73/5 and 73/6 (converted vide official memorandum dated 06.07.2013, bearing No. ALN.(EVH)SR/443/2012-13, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District), BBMP Ktha No. 359/73/5/73/6/17, Balagere Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru, along with One Covered Car Parking Space in the Stilt together with 396 sq.ft. of undivided share right, title and interest in the composite property. Residential flat bearing Super built up area : 1473 sq.ft.
Boundaries: East by : Remaining portion of Sy. No.s 73/5 and 73/6, West by : Remaining portion of Sy. No.s 73/5 and 73/6, North by : Land bearing Sy. No. 73/4, South by : Road.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact Mr. Arun K. M. Branch in charge, Canara Bank Thanisandra Bangalore, Ph. No. 9353636133, e-mail id: cb10686@canarabank.com during office hours on any working day.
E-auction arranged by the service provider M/s Canbank Computer Service Ltd. through the website www.indianbankseaction.com. Email eauction@ccsl.co.in
Place: Bengaluru Date: 20.12.2023
Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

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Bengaluru Zone: #11, Kempgeowda Road, Bengaluru-09
Tel: 080-2295 9407/08, E-mail: Bengaluru.ARD@bankofindia.co.in

E - AUCTION SALE NOTICE

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES "APPENDIX-IV-A [See proviso to Rule 8 (6)]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties Mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Bank of India, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" for recovery of below mentioned amount/s. The details of Borrower/s Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date, Time & EMD amount are mentioned below.

SI No	NAME & ADDRESS OF BORROWER/S / GUARANTOR/S / MORTGAGOR (S)	DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY WITH KNOWN ENCUMBRANCES	BRANCH NAME; ACCOUNT NO; TOTAL DUES	DATE & TIME OF E-AUCTION	RESERVE PRICE; EMD AMOUNT;	STATUS OF POSSESSION (SYMBOLIC/ PHYSICAL)	PROPERTY INSPECTION DATE
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Novak Djokovic warned Wednesday he expects great rival Rafael Nadal is returning "to win a Grand Slam, not just to play" as the World No 1 prepares to defend his Australian Open title next month. "I always expect him (Nadal) to play at his best, to be honest. Many times they've signed him out, they've done that with me as well. But we've proved them wrong."

IOA forms panel with Bajwa as head

INDRANEEL DAS @ Chennai

THE Indian Olympic Association on Wednesday formed a three-member panel to look after wrestling in the country. The sports ministry suspended the Wrestling Federation of India on Sunday, three days after the elections, for not following the constitution in making decisions. The ministry had requested the IOA to form a committee to oversee the day-to-day affairs of the WFI.

The IOA had a long deliberation and fell back on their trusted administrator former Wushu Association of India president Bhupinder Singh Bajwa. He was named as the chairperson of a three-member panel. The other two members of the panel are hockey Olympian MM Somaya and former international badminton player Manjusha Kanwar. The IOA too cited the newly-elected WFI executive committee's violation of the constitution as one of the reasons for forming an ad hoc committee.

While announcing the names, the IOA has said in a communication that "the IOA has recently become aware that the recently appointed president and officials of the WFI have made arbitrary decisions in violation of their own constitutional provisions and against the principles of good governance espoused by IOA and further without following due process overturning the rulings of the IOA-appointed ad hoc committee."

Things, however, may not be as easy because the United World Wrestling has yet to respond to the sports ministry's suspension and request to form an ad hoc committee.

Bajwa, who was also the chairperson in the ad-hoc committee that looked after the day-to-day affairs of the WFI before the elections, said it would be a new challenge and since the sport is one of the most popular in the country, the responsibility of him and his co-members would

be immense. First and foremost the panel would want to finalise the dates of the nationals (senior and junior). The old ad-hoc committee had already announced the dates before elections but the newly-elected body cancelled it.

"I have got another opportunity to serve the sport and I would definitely do everything I can to promote wrestling in the country," Bajwa told this daily after he received the letter from the IOA. "As soon as I got the letter today I started to think about ways to promote the sport. This time I have two other members who are new to the committee.

Hockey Olympian Somaya was the deputy chef de mission for the Asian Games when I was the chef de mission. So we have worked closely already. Former international badminton Manjusha Kanwar is the other member. All of us will find ways to promote and take the sport to greater heights."



South Africa's Dean Elgar scored an unbeaten 140 against India on Wednesday | AFP

Dean does 'Elgar things' once again

GOMESH S @ Chennai

YOU are Dean Elgar—a 36-year-old opening batter from South Africa which offer one of the toughest conditions to play. You have played for your country for about 11 years, in the longest format. Your Test average is a tad below 40, which isn't the gold standard in an all-time list. However, at your home, where the collective average of openers since your debut is 32.37, yours is 15 more (47.81). As a captain, your record might take a dip, but the last time (2021-22) India toured your country, you rose to the occasion to register an epic series victory.

Two years on, India are back on your shores. You are not a captain anymore and have decided to call it a day—a farewell series at home against an opponent you have dearly frustrated on the field. For most players, it could not get better, but you are not most players. You are Dean Elgar, and hence it does. After the hosts were dismissed for 245

—shortly after KL Rahul's hundred (101)—Elgar would come out, frustrate the life of Indian pacemen, pile on runs with a splendid century (140 batting), arguably one of his best, and help South Africa take first inning lead (256/5). How did he do it—by sticking to what he does the best. He would take guard on middle-stump with a high backlift and crouch a little just as the pacer comes closer to popping crease, a forward press followed by the bat coming down inside the line of the delivery. If a right-arm pacer is angling it across, like Jasprit Bumrah and Mohammed Siraj did on Wednesday, more often than not it would be a play and miss.

From the outset, it would seem like the bowlers are on top of him. But, that is not the case. Elgar knows exactly what he is doing. For a heavily forehanded batter—one can notice him taking the bottom hand off the handle almost every time he defends just to make a soft impact—Elgar has his eyes on the ball

to the extent where most of the plays and misses are him pulling the bat inside at the last moment. If it's banged in short, he would be hopping back, playing it down with his forehead.

Such is his technique that it would look awkward to the eyes, but very effective. He would nudge, defend, get beaten, edge one past gully or fall short to second slip. And then suddenly, out comes the fore-handed cover drive, the face of his bat would close in when he makes contact, with the ball racing to the ropes. A textbook punch down the ground would be followed by a fore-handed pull—often in front of square with the bat tilting upwards. And he would do it all over again. It would seem like he is scratching his way through every run, but by the day comes to an end—as it did when bad light stopped play at Centurion—he would have scored a century. The celebration—he jumped, punched the air in delight, acknowledged the applause—and the aftermath on Wednesday told the story. He was back at the crease, taking guard, doing it all over again from the beginning.

For, he is Dean Elgar—one of the best Test openers South Africa has ever produced.

SCOREBOARD

India 1st innings (O/N - 208/8): Rahul b Burger 101, Siraj c Verreynne b Coetzee 5, Prasidh (no) 0; **Extras:** (B-2, LB-8, NB-1, W-2) 13; **Total:** (In 67.4 ovs for 10 wickets) 245; **FOW:** 9-238; **Bowling:** Rabada 20-4-59-5, Jansen 16-2-52-1, Burger 15-4-50-3, Coetzee 16-1-74-1; **South Africa 1st innings:** Markram c Rahul b Siraj 5, Elgar (batting) 140, de Zorzi c Jaiswal b Bumrah 28, Petersen b Bumrah 2, Bedinghamb Mohammed Siraj 56, Verreynne c Rahul b Prasidh Krishna 4, Jansen (batting) 3; **Extras:** (LB-8, NB-8, W-2) 18; **Total:** (For 5 wickets in 66 ovs) 256; **FOW:** 1-11, 2-104, 3-113, 4-244, 5-249; **Bowling:** Bumrah 16-3-48-2, Siraj 15-0-63-2, Thakur 12-2-57-0, Prasidh 15-2-61-1, Ashwin 8-3-19-0.

Wrestling, in 2023, was marred by controversies. **Firoz Mirza** takes a look at all that happened, how the country's young grapplers were affected the most & more...

DOOM & GLOOM ON THE MAT



ROUND eight years ago, Sweetie Malik, who was 12 at the time, joined the Asian Public Sports School in Umra, Hisar (Haryana).

Like her father, Omprakash Malik, she also wanted to be a wrestler. While her father could not go beyond state-level competitions, Sweetie started leaving her mark internationally within three years of joining the sports school. She bagged 40kg bronze in the 2018 Cadets World Championship and then went on to clinch 42kg gold at the U-15 Asian Championship in the same year.

Representing the country in the U-20 Asian Championship last year, Sweetie won 50kg silver. She pocketed 53kg gold at the Khelo India University Games and 50kg bronze at the National Games this year. Unfortunately, these two events, apart from junior selection trials, remained only a few competitions wherein she took part in 2023.

Sweetie is among hundreds of wrestlers in the country, who have been devoid of competitions in 2023. The unprecedented protest by top wrestlers against Brij Bhushan Sharan Singh, former president of the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI), began in January bringing the activities to a standstill in the country. As the sport plunged into darkness with protesting wrestlers levelling allegations of sexual harassment against the former WFI president and a BJP MP, the sports started to suffer. The deadlock between the WFI and the wrestlers continued and that led to only a couple of competitions in the year affecting all wrestlers but the up and coming young grapplers bore the brunt.

"It cost us dear. What affected us the most was the lack of competition. The tournaments are the best way to analyse one's progress. The training has been going on unabatedly but I am not aware where I stand at the moment," Sweetie told this daily. The wrestler participated in at least 10 tournaments last year including junior national championships, U-23 nationals, Federation Cup and Grand Prix events. Given the situation of wrestling in the country, the National Games in Goa turned out to be one of the few competitions she got this year.



Wrestling has been earning India at least an Olympic medal since the 2008 Games. Wrestlers won two medals (Ravi Dahiya, 57kg silver and Bajrang Punia, 65kg bronze) at the Tokyo Games and the discipline is one of the few high-priority sports in the country as far as the 2024 Paris Olympics is concerned. Even as Sakshi Malik, the face of the protest, remains the only woman wrestler to win an Olympic medal to date, fresh talents like Anshu Malik, Antim Panghal are rated highly and expected to win laurels in Paris. The ongoing crisis, however, has taken a toll on women's wrestling with a few parents even withdrawing their daughters from the sport.

"It's difficult to give the exact figures but yes a few of my women trainees left the sport forever," Sanjay Malik, wrestling coach at the Asian Public Sports School, told this daily.

The exit is not only limited to girls as the strength of boys has also decreased but the percentage is quite high among the girls. "If I talk in percentage, the new joining of girls decreased by at least 25 per cent this year. Apart from this, those already enrolled have decided to quit the sport as there were no competitions. Parents also grew apprehensive after the allegations of sexual harassment," said Malik. Financial constraints is one of the reasons as surviving without assistance is an uphill task for most wrestlers. "Wrestling is an expensive sport. Being a combat sport, most of the wrestlers hail from modest background. Prize money from the competitions supports them financially and also provides a pathway for a better future. The participation certificates help them land jobs in government sectors. With hardly any events this year, wrestlers and their parents found it extremely difficult to survive," said the coach. Sweetie also admitted that she lost a few colleagues in the last few months. "Around 5-6 girls from my academy quit the sport. I don't know the exact reasons but somewhere the ongoing mess is responsible," she said. The wres-

Olympic Association (IOA). He defeated rival Anita Sheoran, a former Commonwealth Games gold medalist 40-7 in the election for the top post. His panel won 13 out of 15 posts but the sports ministry on Sunday abstained the panel from administering and managing the day-to-day activities of the federation with immediate effect until further orders. "WFI is an autonomous body, how can the ministry suspend it? I am an elected president, not the nominated one. I am waiting for the ministry's reply to my letter which I sent to it. I sought time to meet and explain my side. If the ministry had any objections, it should have issued a show-cause notice and given us some time to clarify. Unfortunately, that didn't happen," he added.

Sanjay said he expects the ministry to understand his

grievances and affirmed to take legal recourse if that doesn't happen. "The IOA cannot form the committee after elections. The ministry has to understand our position. If it doesn't then we will consult our lawyers and even move the court if need arise."

Asiad team for Ranking meet?

The last day to send entries for the first Ranking Series, the Zagreb Open, of the year is Thursday. With no trials and national camps due to the ongoing issues, chances are high that wrestlers who competed at the Asian Games could be sent for the event. A total of 18 wrestlers in six Olympic weight categories in each style (men's freestyle and Greco-Roman, women's wrestling) represented the country in Hangzhou including Bajrang Punia, the Tokyo Olympic bronze medalist. If the entries are sent, it would be interesting to see which name finds a place in the 65kg weight category.

Full story: newindianexpress.com



WHAT WRESTLERS MISSED

- Boarding which includes diet per wrestler ₹690/day
- Additional diet allowances (70kg & below) ₹430/wrestler/day
- Additional diet allowances (above 70kg) ₹750
- Sports kit ₹20,000 per wrestler (once in a year)
- Insurance ₹2264 premium
- Physical assessment and scientific testing which is not possible at their respective akhadas.
- Sparring partners from across the country which they hardly get at their training venues.
- Support staff like physiotherapists, strength and conditioning coaches, masseurs, psychologists.
- 100 grams of almond per wrestler per day

NOTE

The figures are taken from the administrative sanction given to organise national camp for senior men and women wrestlers for the 2023 Asian Championships.

The diet allowance of age group wrestlers is different. As per administrative sanction for sub-junior girls last year, ₹480 per wrestler per day was approved.

ter, who has been competing at the international circuit for the past five years, however, said never had any such unpleasant experience nor her colleagues.

Wrestling coach Sanjay Sihag of Altius Sports Academy, Saisai, Hisar, also echoed the sentiments and informed around half a dozen women trainees from his academy left this year. "Those who compete in the age-group competitions are the worst affected. Most of them have lost a year. My academy used to have 20 new trainees every year but that declined drastically. Besides, around 7-8 girls left the academy as their parents got wary," Sihag said.

It all started in January when prominent wrestlers including Bajrang, Sakshi and Vinesh Phogat accused Brij Bhushan of sexual harassment. They also got FIRs registered against the Uttar Pradesh strongman. The case is pending in the court at the moment. The allegations meant the government formed an ad-hoc panel to run the sport in the country. After months of uncertainty, the elections to the executive committee of the WFI were held on December 21 with Brij Bhushan's loyalist Sanjay Kumar Singh becoming the president. Out of 15 posts, 13 were won by his faction with two—secretary general and

senior vice-president—going to the opposite camp. However, only three days later, the sports ministry instructed the newly-elected body to abstain from functioning and also asked the Indian Olympic Association to form an ad-hoc committee once again. The absence of the NSF though had little impact on wrestlers' participation in international tournaments including the Asian Games but it certainly has thrown the national calendar in disarray. A source closely associated with the WFI said the federation increased the number of tournaments considerably in the last few years but it cannot conduct events because of the ongoing issue. "Till 2017, the WFI used to organise only three nationals (senior, junior and cadet). Last year, more than 20 tournaments were organised by the WFI," the source said.

Asian and Worlds medallists train at Sihag's Academy. Sihag, himself, had competed at the national level before donning the coach's hat. "I am not in favour or against anyone. I only want my wards to get competitions. How long will this continue? Already a year has been wasted. If the government cannot find a solution, it should take control and make sure upcoming wrestlers get the competitions they deserve," the coach signed off.

Kho kho: Rahul powers Yoddhas

AGENCIES @ Cuttack

TELUGU Yoddhas showcased a complete performance to register the second win in Ultimate Kho Kho Season 2 as they defeated Rajasthan Warriors 38-28 here. Rahul Mandal was the star of the match for Telugu Yoddhas with 10 points. Pratik Waikar and Aditya Ganpule also contributed by staying on the mat for more than 3.95 minutes to earn dream run bonus points during the defence.

I'm the happiest man alive: Hojlund

AGENCIES @ Manchester

RASMUS Hojlund admitted he was the "happiest man alive" after the Manchester United striker finally scored his first Premier League goal to seal Tuesday's dramatic 3-2 win against Aston Villa.

Hojlund had gone 14 games without a league goal since his August move from Atalanta for £72 million (£91 million). The Dane, who had scored five times in the Champions League for United, saved his maiden Premier League strike



Rasmus Hojlund scored to help Man United beat Aston Villa | AFP

for the perfect moment when he swivelled to fire home off the post in the 82nd minute.

That capped United's recovery from two goals down to beat

title-chasing Villa at Old Trafford, ending the hosts' four-game winless run in all competitions. Hojlund appeared on the brink of tears during his wild goal celebration and he said: "It has been a while but yes I am very happy. "I am the happiest man alive right now. You can see from the celebrations as well."

Liverpool go top

Liverpool climbed to the top as Darwin Nunez ended his goal drought to inspire a 2-0 win against Burnley.

Jaismine, Arundhati champions

GREATER NOIDA: Boxer Jaismine Lamboria won her maiden senior national championships title as she eked out a contentious split decision win over Olympian Simranjit Kaur here. After the three rounds, Simranjit had won the 60kg bout 3-2. However, as per the rules, every 3-2 split verdict goes for review and the two reviewers ruled in favour of Jaismine. Arundhati Choudhary defeated Assam's Ankushita Boro 5-0 to take the 66kg crown.

Big face for Mumbai Marathon

MUMBAI: Two-time pole vault world champion and Tokyo Olympics gold medalist Katie Moon has been roped in as event ambassador for the 19th edition of the Tata Mumbai Marathon to be held on Sunday. Promoted by Procam International, the Mumbai Marathon is a World Athletics Gold Label Race. Moon had clinched gold medal at the 2022 Eugene and 2023 Budapest World Athletics Championships.

Gymnast Dipa set for senior natls

BHUBANESWAR: Star gymnast Dipa Karmakar will compete at the Senior Artistic Gymnastics National Championships after a gap of eight years in Bhubaneswar next week. The prestigious event will be held here from January 2 to 4. Besides Dipa, the championship will feature the likes of Tokyo Olympian Pranati Nayak, Yogeshwar Singh, Rakesh Patra, Tapan Mohanty, Saif Tamboli, Gaurav Kumar among others.

Some trips can be about wholesome learning as we discover in this journey into the world of weaving and textiles in Nuapatna, Odisha, that can also make an informative holiday...

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We got down from our cars and navigated our way through a herd of grazing cows on the road into the home of an artisan. One brief tour of the house and you realise that even the architecture was made keeping

Walking past the kitchen with women making lunch and smiling at us curiously, we entered a courtyard where two women sat with a handful of mulberry silk cocoons, spinning raw silk out of them using a hand spinner. In the backyards of some houses were designated spaces where the dyed threads were hung horizontally to dry in the sun. Our co-host and master-dyer Lakhindar

What also caught our attention were these pretty, white *alponas* (*kolam*-like decorations) on the floors and the decorative art across walls of the houses. Interestingly, every house that has had a wedding in the recent past, had specially painted the façades of the houses in pop colours like pink and green and also had the names of the bride and groom written in intricate typography! Strolling across the village, we also discovered a white temple-like structure in the middle of a pond. Lakhindar told us, "Legend goes that Lord Krishna and Radha took the seven holy rounds of

How can a trip in Odisha conclude without good food? Several weavers and artisans had taken the morning off to cook an authentic *Odia* lunch for us. And we were overwhelmed not just by their warm gesture but also by the deliciousness of the food. Rice, *puri*, mushroom curry, fried vegetables, *daal*, roasted aubergine along with cut salad — the spread was extensive and scrumptious to say the least. As we finished the hearty meal and headed back to Bhubaneswar, past the passing paddy fields and eerily beautiful Mahanadi, the waving tree trunks of Nuapatna made us feel homesick. And we can't wait to go back.



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JANUARY

WEDDING BLISS

Bengaluru-favourite **KL Rahul** and actor **Athiya Shetty** tied the knot on January 23, signifying the first lavish celebrity wedding of 2023. After dating for over three years, the couple got married in an intimate ceremony at Suniel Shetty's Khandala farmhouse. "Today, in a place that has been a haven of joy and peace, we got married, surrounded by those we cherish most. With hearts brimming with gratitude and love, we seek your blessings on this new journey we embark on together," they announced on social media.



FEBRUARY

HERITAGE REBORN

In February 2023, the opening of the Museum of Art and Photography (MAP) on Kasturba Road marked a significant milestone in the cultural landscape of Bengaluru. Initially an online-only gallery, MAP transitioned into a physical space, challenging the traditional trajectory of 'physical first, digital next'. Helmed by **Abhishek Poddar**, industrialist and art collector, MAP's mission has been to democratise art, making India's rich heritage accessible to diverse audiences.



MARCH

OSCAR GLORY

The controversial *Elephant Whispers*, an Indian-American short documentary, achieved global acclaim by winning an Oscar. This represented a significant cultural milestone for India and Indian cinema. The film, directed by Kartiki Gonsalves, delves into the tale of an indigenous couple in South India, who dedicate their lives to caring for an orphaned elephant.



THE GOOD, BAD AND THE CONTROVERSIAL

From the highs of Irish music icons like Ronan Keating and Westlife's performances, to the lows of standup comedian Trevor Noah's cancelled show, and the debates that surrounded NR Narayana Murthy, CE looks at some of the major events that held Bengaluru's attention in 2023

(Compiled by Sargam Parashar and P Navya)



REAR VIEW 2023

APRIL-MAY

IPL FERVOUR

The Indian Premier League (IPL) of 2023 witnessed a series of electrifying matches at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium, transforming the stadium into a pulsating arena of sportsmanship and excitement. Fans thronged to witness their favourite teams and players in action, creating an atmosphere charged with enthusiasm and energy. The stadium played host to memorable moments of cricketing brilliance, like the Royal Challengers Bangalore beating the Rajasthan Royals by 7 runs.



JUNE

STAR-STUDED VOWS

In a grand ceremony at Palace Grounds, Kannada actor **Abhishek Ambareesh**, the son of veteran actor and Member of Parliament Sumalatha and the late actor Ambareesh, tied the knot with model **Aviva Bidapa**, daughter of fashion icon Prasad Bidapa. The wedding was a lavish affair, with the bride sporting a stunning Kanjeevaram saree. Many Sandalwood celebrities, including Tamil superstar Rajinikanth, graced the occasion.



JULY

GRASS COURT SUCCESS

In a remarkable achievement, Bengaluru-based **Rohan Bopanna** reached the semi-finals in the doubles category at Wimbledon, one of the most prestigious tennis tournaments in the world. What made this feat even more impressive was the impact it had on his ATP rankings. Bopanna's successful campaign propelled him to the seventh position in the ATP rankings, a testament to his consistency in doubles tennis. At 43 years and 6 months, Bopanna became the oldest player to reach the men's doubles Grand Slam final in the US Open in September.



AUGUST

CULINARY EXTRAVAGANZA

Celebrity chef **Marco Pierre White** flew into the city for a masterclass and brunch. Embracing Bengaluru's greenery, he surprisingly expressed admiration for its traffic jams, finding amusement and inspiration in the bustling scenes. White's return to the city not only treated attendees to his culinary genius but also provided a platform for aspiring chefs and food enthusiasts to showcase their talent.



SEPTEMBER

BENGALURU PRIDE

United Kingdom's Prime Minister Rishi Sunak and First Lady Akshata Murty visited India for the first time after Sunak took charge, during the G20 Summit 2023. As the daughter of Infosys co-founder NR Narayana Murthy and Sudha Murty, Akshata's and Sunak's visit was a source of pride for Bengalureans who regard the Murthys as the city's first family.



COMEDY SETBACK

The Bengaluru stop of South African comedian and TV host **Trevor Noah**'s standup tour *Off the Record*, was cancelled due to persistent technical issues. Soon after, the comedian took to his X account, posting, "Dear Bengaluru India, I was so looking forward to performing in your amazing city but due to technical issues, we've been forced to cancel both shows...I'm so sorry for both the inconvenience and disappointment."



OCTOBER

YAY OR NAY?

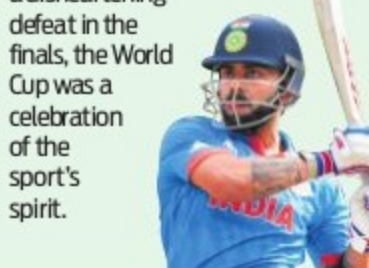
The man behind Bengaluru's IT city **NR Narayana Murthy** stirred up controversy with his statement of a 70-hour work week. The co-founder of Infosys pointed out India's low work productivity on the global stage and underscored the need for young Indians to invest additional hours to compete with nations like China. While this perspective aimed to enhance India's global competitiveness, it ignited discussions about the delicate balance between work hours, productivity, and overall mental health and well-being.



NOVEMBER

MUSICAL HIGHS

Music sensation Ronan Keating and the Irish pop band Westlife were some of the biggest highlights for the people of Bengaluru. While Keating returned to India after 17 years, Westlife made their debut here. It was a nostalgic trip down memory lane as Bengalureans swayed to the tunes of the '90s.



DECEMBER

CULTURAL CONFLUENCE

The 12th edition of the Bangalore Literature Festival celebrated the literary diversity Bengaluru offers. The festival provided a forum for book lovers to meet authors like Abraham Verghese, Perumal Murugan and many more. Bengaluru also hosted a line-up featuring over 40 international and Indian artistes, like Mary Ann, Sid Sriram, Doolfox and Len Faki.





KNOW YOUR CITY

Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture.

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY

Send answers to bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com with the subject line 'Know Your City Quiz'. Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in CE on Thursday.

THE RIGHT ANSWERS ARE

- 1) Lalbagh
- 2) Indira Gandhi Musical Fountain
- 3) Cubbon Park

FIRST THREE TO GET IT RIGHT

- 1) Sameer Kumar
- 2) Chitra Ramaswamy
- 3) S Nagaraj



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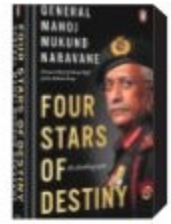
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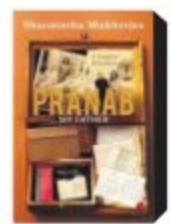
BOOK NOOK



Four Stars of Destiny: An Autobiography

By Manoj Mukund Naravane

The book sheds light on the workings of the army, its culture and ethos. Even those with no background of the service would be immediately drawn into the narrative, especially the parts that deal with the planning and conduct of operations, which is the reason for being of the Army.



Pranab, My Father: A Daughter Remembers

By Sharmistha Mukherjee

It offers a glimpse into the illustrious life of Pranab Mukherjee. Sharmistha invites us into her family's private world that was peopled by the Gandhis and prime ministers: PV Narasimha Rao, Manmohan Singh and, Narendra Modi.



Tara's Truce

By Kavita Kané

The book narrates the tale of Tara's truce — the compromises Tara made to fulfil her divinely ordained purpose, including marrying her husband's killer.



The India Cookbook: From the Tables of My Friends

Selected and edited by Sunita Kohli

This cookbook shows how culture intimately expresses itself — dishes for all occasions and for all seasons. There are recipes for relaxed family meals and dinner parties.

WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE



Comic Odyssey

Get ready for a fun evening with comic Vipul Goyal's upcoming show as you embark on a side-splitting rollercoaster ride where laughter takes the lead.

📅 **When:** Dec 30, 5.15pm
 📍 **Where:** BOHO Rooftop Restaurant & Bar, Brookfield
 📄 **Details:** bookmyshow.com

Groove Night

DJ Vaibhav's upcoming music show will offer a vibrant mix of Bollywood, disco, EDM, Hindustani, and other music genres.

📅 **When:** Dec 30, 8pm
 📍 **Where:** FLO Church Street, Ashok Nagar
 📄 **Details:** bookmyshow.com



Laughter Riot

Get the experience of a live comedy show this festive week with comedians like Harman Preet Singh, Gaurav Purohit, Somnath Padhy, and more.

📅 **When:** Dec 28, 8.30pm 📍 **Where:** YUCK Comedy Club, Indiranagar
 📄 **Details:** bookmyshow.com

Desi Symphony

Indulge in a masterful classical performance by two young artistes, Manohar Patwardhan and Nishant Panicker, from Agra Gharana Style of Hindustani Music.

📅 **When:** Dec 28, 7pm 📍 **Where:** Bangalore International Centre, Domlur
 📄 **Details:** bangaloreinternationalcentre.org



Tales of a City

Experience the enchanting stories of Vaianasi with a mesmerising Kathak-based performance by the Nahabat Institute of Performing Arts, presenting the talents of Kathak artistes.

📅 **When:** Dec 28, 6.30pm
 📍 **Where:** Medai - The Stage, Koramangala
 📄 **Details:** bookmyshow.com



THEATRE TIME



Theatre group Antaanga is staging two plays: *Home Rule* and *Kailasam Jhalak* directed by YV Gundurao.

📅 **When:** Dec 31, 7pm
 📍 **Where:** KH Kalasoudha, Banashankari
 📄 **Details:** bookmyshow.com



NEW YEAR FEAST
 Bid adieu to 2023 with an extravagant New Year's Eve Gala along with foot-tapping music, featuring a dinner buffet at Cubbon Pavilion and Lotus Pavilion, the signature chef's special menu at Kebabs & Kurries and Ottimo, and a live DJ at Highland Nectar.

📅 **When:** Dec 31, 7pm 📍 **Where:** ITC Gardenia, Ashok Nagar

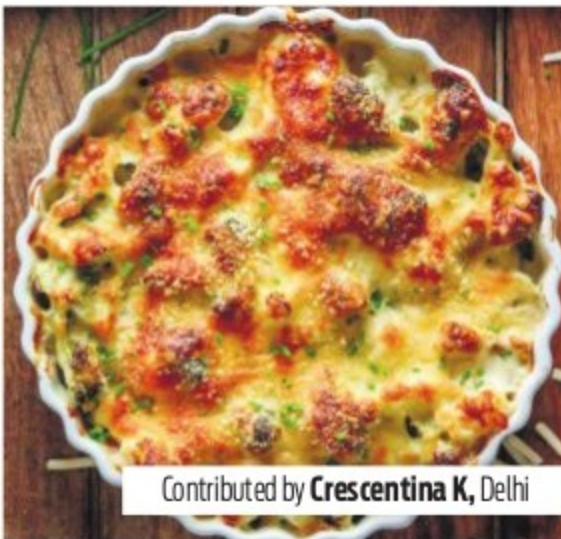


BRIGHTENING THE DAY

In this holiday season, children try out fun activities at Jawaharlar Nehru Planetarium, Sankey Road | VINOD KUMAR T

QUICK FIX

BROCCOLI CAULIFLOWER BAKE



Contributed by **Crescentina K**, Delhi

INGREDIENTS

- Broccoli and cauliflower florets : 4-4.5 cups each
- Unsalted butter: 5 tbsps
- Milk: 2 cups
- Garlic powder, onion powder, pepper powder : 1 tsp each
- Shredded Mozzarella / Parmesan / Cheddar : 1.5 cups
- Unseasoned Panko bread crumbs : 2 tbsps
- Chopped green onion : 1 tsp
- Flour: 1/3 cup
- Ground nutmeg: 1/4 tsp

METHOD

- Preheat oven to 400°F.
- Steam the florets, make sure they are not fully cooked.
- Make the flour roux: melt butter, whisk in flour to form a paste and cook for a little time. Gradually whisk in milk and cook until everything is thick. You can add seasonings and mix in shredded cheese.
- Coat the florets with the sauce mixture. Pour into a greased baking dish. Cover with cheese and some Panko bread crumbs. Bake in a 375°F oven until the cheese is melted and the bread crumbs are golden brown for 25 to 30 minutes.

What's cooking in your kitchen?

We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at bengaluru@cityexpress@gmail.com

FIT BIT

SUKHA EKA PADA RAJA KAPOTASANA I (EASY ONE-LEGGED KING PIGEON POSE I)

This is one of the most intense postures in a series of backbends that increases flexibility. You can feel unstable at first, but the spiritual and physical benefits are rewarding. This activates Svadhisthana chakra which increases passion, creativity and confidence.

STEPS

- Sit on the floor, with legs stretched.
- Bend the right knee, placing the sole of the right foot on the floor.
- The knee and ankle of the right foot should be straight on the floor.
- Make sure that the heel of the right foot is near the perineum.
- Bend the left leg at the knee, and the left shin is perpendicular to the floor.
- Balance the body on the right foot and the left knee.
- Exhale, take the right arm overhead, hold the left foot firmly.
- Extend your left hand in front of you with your elbow straight.
- Inhale, bend your head backward and look up.
- Hold the pose for about 15 seconds.
- Try to breathe normally.
- Release the grip on the ankle and straighten the legs.

LIMITATIONS

People who have injuries at the neck, knee, ankle, ligament, tight hips or thighs, or migraine, insomnia, meniscus, shoulder dislocation, pregnant women and senior citizens, should avoid this.



● Repeat on the other side.

BENEFITS

- Strengthens the back.
- Stimulates the abdominal organs of the neck and abdomen.
- Increases the digestive and reproductive systems.
- Helps increase the flexibility of the body.
- Stretches the thighs, groins and psoas, abdomen, chest and shoulders, neck and throat.
- Opens up the chest, hips and shoulders.
- Helps stretch the deep hip flexors.
- Helps solve urinary disorders.
- Relieves back problems, especially sciatica.

By **N Elumalai**, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

REGIONAL



SESHAM MIKE-IL FATHIMA (Malayalam)

A young woman from Kerala goes up against unjust hurdles and a conservative upbringing to achieve her dream of becoming a football commentator.

Cast: Kalyani Priyadarshan, Femina George, Parvathi T
 ● **Watch on:** Netflix

THE FREELANCER: THE CONCLUSION (Hindi, series)

It is the story of an ex-cop Avinash Kamath who is on a quest to save Aliya. The task is quite difficult and combines peril and purpose.

Cast: Mohit Raina, Anupam Kher, Sushant Singh, Sarah-Jane Dias, Manjari
 ● **Watch on:** Disney+ Hotstar



IMMATURE (Hindi, series)

Tracking the lives of three teenage males in their final year of high school, as they deal with the ups and downs, such as friendships, first love, heartbreak, and other issues.

Cast: Anandeshwar Dwivedi, Shivankit Singh Parihar, Neha Iyer
 ● **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video



VYOOHAM (Telugu, series)

A police officer is assigned a hit and run case. What seems like a simple open and shut case, turns out to be a complicated web, involving several seemingly unconnected people while facing his own painful past.

Cast: Sai Sushanth reddy, Ravindra vijay, Chaitanya, Preethi Asrani
 ● **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

RAKSHASA KAVYAM (Telugu)

Ajay's heart bleeds for underprivileged kids who want to study. Vijay comes with his own eccentricity. How do the lives of Ajay and Vijay intersect as they go about realising their goals with determination?

Cast: Abhay Bethiganti, Dayanand Reddy, Kushalini Pulapa
 ● **Watch on:** aha



AADIKESHAVA (Telugu)

Balu finds himself in an unexpected twist after joining workforce. Who is Balu, and how is he linked to Chenga Reddy and a village named Brahmasamudram?

Cast: Vaisnav Tej, Sreeleela, Aparna Das, Joju George
 ● **Watch on:** Netflix

FOREIGN

DEATH'S GAME (Korean)

At the brink of going to hell, Yee-jae must cycle through twelve separate lives and deaths in this reincarnation drama.

Cast: Seo In-guk, Park So-dam, Go You-jung, Kim Ji-hun, Choi Si-won
 ● **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video



FAMILIA (Spanish)

As a family discusses the future of their idyllic olive farm over a meal, the complexity of their relationships emerges through laughs and confessions.

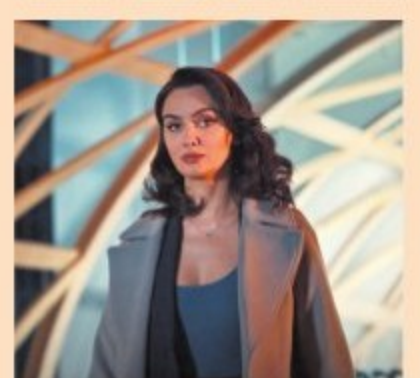
Cast: Maribel Verdú, Brian Shortall, Adolfo Madera, Angeles Cruz, Daniel Giménez Cacho
 ● **Watch on:** Netflix



YOH! CHRISTMAS (English)

Single, 30 and under pressure, Thando lies to her family that she has a boyfriend. Now she has 24 days to bring one home for Christmas. Can she do it?

Cast: Katlego Lebogang, Siya Sepotekela, Didi Makhubane
 ● **Watch on:** Netflix



AS THE CROW FLIES (Turkish, series)

Asli, an admirer of news anchor Lale Kiran, cleverly secures an internship at Lale's workplace. The duo must break norms and face challenges for their survival in the industry.

Cast: Asli Tuna, Lale Kiran
 ● **Watch on:** Netflix

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A YEAR
OF MYRIAD
HEALTH
CHALLENGES

As 2023 draws to an end, Bengalureans find themselves reflecting on the numerous health challenges, including the ongoing war against Covid-19, JN1 which has started to eclipse all other strains as a tough contender

DR JOHN PAUL M

As the year comes to an end, the people of Bengaluru find themselves pondering over a chaotic year that saw health obstacles engulfing the city. The main issue that took centre stage in news reports was the sudden increase in instances of viral fever in June and July, manifesting with symptoms varying from a regular cold to more serious cases accompanied by high fever.

Bengaluru, while not entirely immune, showed a promising decline in test positivity rates from 2.2 per cent on Decem 25, 2022 to a mere 0.3 per cent on Jan 3, 2023. New Delhi and Mumbai have consistently grappled with the dubious distinction of having the highest number of active Covid-19 cases among metros. This accomplishment reflects the city's collective efforts in managing the pandemic.

The city witnessed a significant spike in patients seeking treatment at outpatient departments (OPDs), with a notable 3 per cent increase in June alone. The Karnataka Institute of Medical Sciences (KIMS) registered a staggering 800 daily patients, half of whom were grappling with viral fever and persistent coughs. The situation escalated to such an extent that on Jul 19, 2023, the state recorded a total of 2,966 cases, with a striking 62 per cent attributed to dengue.

Karnataka faced a dengue

outbreak of alarming proportions, reporting a staggering 8,600 cases in just three months. According to the Commissionerate of Health and Family Welfare Services, the total cases reached 11,576 by Oct 20, painting a grim picture of the health scenario.

Surprisingly, sudden cardiac deaths became a concern, constituting roughly 15 per cent of recorded deaths. Disturbingly, 85 per cent of these sudden cardiac events were linked to pre-existing conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, smoking, and poor lifestyle choices. Cardiologists unanimously pointed towards coronary artery disease as the primary reason behind the surge in sudden cardiac arrests.

Upper respiratory tract infections, attributed to viruses like adenovirus, rhinovirus,

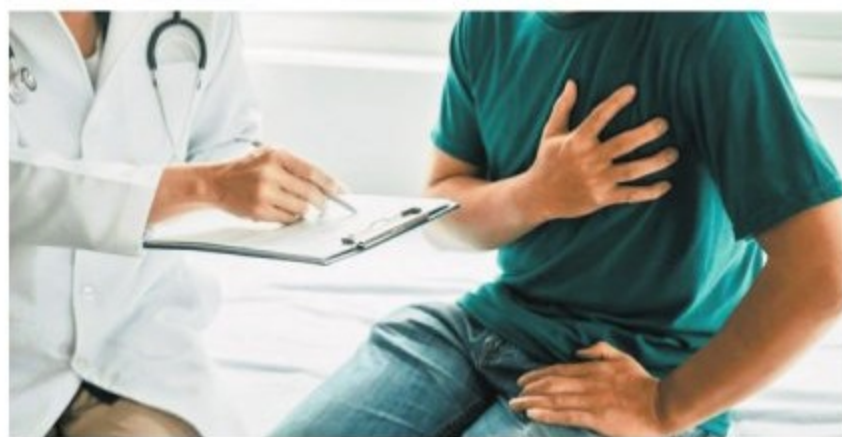


and influenza, gripped a significant portion of the population. H1N1, commonly known as swine flu, was identified as a circulating threat, causing additional distress in the city.

Pneumonia emerged as a secondary complication, affecting 10 per cent to 15 per cent of children grappling with viral infections. This added a layer of complexity in the health landscape underscoring the

need for comprehensive preventive measures.

In the ongoing war against Covid-19, JN1 has started to eclipse all other strains as a tough contender. This chapter reminds us that our fight with the virus remains far from static. The rise of the JN1 variant is a brutal reminder that our methods must be dynamic and go along with the evolutionary



changes in pathogens, warning everyone to quickly ramp up large-scale vaccination efforts while also not forgetting scientific scrutiny. Also, people need to take precautions like wearing masks, washing hands and avoiding going to crowded places so that the spread of the virus is limited and does not affect a huge mass.

As the year draws to an end, Bengalureans find themselves reflecting on the myriad health challenges faced in 2023. The city navigated a complex web of viral outbreaks, respiratory infections, and the ongoing battle against Covid-19. The heightened awareness surrounding cardiovascular health and the impact of pre-existing conditions underscores the need for a holistic approach to public health in the coming year. As we bid farewell to a year marked by health crises, the resilience of Bengalureans and the lessons learned will undoubtedly shape health policies and practices in the year ahead.

(The writer is consultant in tropical medicine & infectious disease, SPARSH Hospital)



MISS-FIT

Wanitha Ashok is a Fit India Movement Ambassador and celebrity fitness coach

1 What is the one thing that you would suggest people cut down on in their food habits?

The best diet is the one you can stick to. Say bye to fad diets and focus on making lifestyle changes. We have to eliminate certain foods from our lifestyle for better health and weight loss. Processed, refined and packaged foods should be the first to go as they have preservatives and additives, simple carbs leave you hungry in no time and are not good for weight and health. Food has to be prepared from scratch, replace it with natural, whole-grain foods, which offer more nutrients and keep you feeling full. Eliminate foods containing trans fats, which can increase inflammation and contribute to weight gain. Replace unhealthy snacks with healthier options like nuts, fruits, or yogurt. Hydrate yourself well to prevent hunger pangs. By reducing these foods and habits, you can improve your overall health and achieve sustainable weight loss.

2 What is that one item you would suggest to add to one's diet?

Actually, it's all the nutrients. But the one nutrient that's inadequately consumed is pro-

tein. Protein is an essential nutrient and plays an important role in the body. It is the building block and every cell depends on it for repair maintenance and to make new cells. They are energy-sourced and help build lean muscle mass in conjunction with strength training. The recommended intake is 0.8grams of protein per kg body weight. There are plenty of vegetarian and non-vegetarian options to choose from. The bottom line does not go over broad as it taxes the kidneys.



NUGGETS

Doctor revives patient after road collision

Dr Prasanth, an emergency medicine resident at Narayana Health City, successfully revived a person in a critical state of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest (OHCA) after a collision on the road by administering Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and other life-saving measures for a five-minute duration. The patient, upon impact, experienced a fall that led to a forceful chest injury from hitting the bike's handlebar. Following the fall, the individual exhibited distressing signs, clutching their chest and subsequently losing consciousness. Dr Prasanth's swift actions showed signs of improvement in the individual, with palpable pulses returning. Effectively transitioning from pre-hospital care to the emergency department, Dr Prasanth ensured the patient's conscious transport.



PUBLIC NOTICE

CHANGE OF NAME

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I, SERVICE NO JC- 333678M SUB T. KANAKA SRIDHAR, Residing at Near Sai Baba Temple, Behind Post Office, Madhavaram (VIII & Post), Tadepalligudem (TK), West Godavari (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 534145, Have Changed My Daughter Name (OLD NAME) TANNISETTI NIKITHA KANAKA LAKSHMI to (NEW NAME) T. NIKITHA KANAKA LAKSHMI. Vide Affidavit Dated 11.12.2023 Sworn Before Notary S.1. BALAGURU BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) JOYTHI Mother of NO. JC- 313280W SUB SURESH KUMAR P, Residing at Door No. 45, Kaveri Nagar, BEML Nagar (Post), K.G.F. Bangarpet (TK), Kolar (Dist), KARNATAKA (State), PIN: 563115, Have Changed My Name to (NEW NAME) R. JOTHI, Vide Affidavit Dated 26.12.2023 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME

I, NAMDEV BAPU SURYAWANSHI, aged about 54 years, R/at, Flat No. 402, Zest Block-4, Suncity Apartment, Sarjapur Outer Ring Road, Ibbur, HSR PD, Bangalore-560102, do hereby declare that I have changed our minor son's name from PRATYUSH to PRATYUSH NAMDEV SURYAWANSHI, henceforth he shall be known and called as PRATYUSH NAMDEV SURYAWANSHI only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 20/12/2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary ARAVIND PATIL. G. G., at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, NAVEEN KUMAR. K.C., @ NAGARAJ. K.C., S/o Chandrappa. K.R., aged about 40 years, residing at 6106, Anriya Dwelling Apartments, No.1, 1st Main, Lotteghallahalli, Dollars Colony, RMV Extension 2nd Stage, Bengaluru -560 094, have changed my name from SHRIYA SUDHEENDRA SHIRAHATTI to SHRIYA SHIRAHATTI, vide affidavit dated 15/12/2023 sworn to before Anitha Bai advocate and notary Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, Sri. RANGASWAMY, S/o. Late Krishnappa, Aged about 58 years, Residing at No. 58/A, 4th Cross, Modi Hospital, Indiranagar, Bangalore - 560 010, I State that I am the Son of Krishnappa, he was deceased on 11-06-2010 and my Father's name also called as Thimma Shetty. I State that in my Property Sale Deed registration No. 56613/2006-07 my father name was mentioned and entered as Thimma Shetty instead of Krishnappa, I hereby declare that both the names as one and the same person i.e., my father name only. Vide affidavit dated 21.12.2023 sworn to before Shreesha B. Gobani, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) SOUBHAGYA S D/o. SIDDACHAR SINGACHAR, W/o Vasudeva Raju K.B., Flat No. G-08, Ground Floor, Pine Ridge Apartment, 19th Cross, Jakkur Main Road, Bangalore-560092, have changed my name from (OLD NAME) SOUBHAGYA S to (NEW NAME) SOWBHAGYA S vide affidavit dated 26.12.2023 sworn before the Notary Aruna.V Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

We, 1) ROHIT ACHARYA AND 2) MANISHA ROHIT ACHARYA, residing at No. 3146, Prestige Sunrise Park Norwood, Neotown Road, Electronic City, Bengaluru 560 100, declare that my name is MANISHA ROHIT ACHARYA, But in Birth Certificate of my son AVYUKT ROHIT ACHARYA was wrongly mentioned as MANISHA SHARMA instead of MANISHA ROHIT ACHARYA and I have declared this as per Vide Affidavit dated 27.12.2023 sworn before advocate & notary, Harisha. G, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Nida Nousheen, D/o Abdul Rehman, aged about 19 years, R/at No.358, 7th Main 11th cross, Pillanna Garden, 3rd Stage, Arabic College Post, VTC Bengaluru North-560 045, have changed my name from NIDA NOUSHEEN RAHAMAN to NIDA NOUSHEEN, vide affidavit dated 27/12/2023 sworn to before R.S.Vijay advocate and notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) Y K SRI LAKSHMI Spouse of NO. 15329929A HAV SAMBASIVA RAO YENUMULA, Residing at Pudivada (V), Uddivada (Post), Repalli (Tehsil), Guntur (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 521104, Have Changed My Name to (NEW NAME) YENUMULA KALYANI SRI LAKSHMI, Vide Affidavit Dated 26.12.2023 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, MR. RAJACHARI, AGED ABOUT 48 YEARS, S/D. PUTTASWAMACHARI, RESIDING AT NO.09, SIDDAPPAJI NILAY, PIPE LINE ROAD, NEAR TEKNO FABS, MALLASANDRA, T. DASARAHALLI POST, BANGALURU NORTH TALUK, KARNATAKA-560057, INDIA, (Aadhaar No.9579 4011 24056), HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM MY OLD NAME "RAJACHARI" TO MY NEW NAME "RAJACHARI" vide AFFIDAVIT DATED: 27/12/2023 DULY SWORN TO BEFORE SRI. RAMANASJEEVAIAH, K.V. ADVOCATE AND NOTARY PUBLIC, GOVT. OF INDIA, BANGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, ANITHA MARKAPURAM KRISHNAMURTHY, W/o. Muralidhar Meda Govindaiah residing at #51, 8th Main Road, SBM Colony, Brindavan Nagar, Mathikere, Bengaluru 560054, have changed my name from ANITHA MARKAPURAM KRISHNAMURTHY to ANITHA MEDA vide Affidavit Dated: 26/12/2023 sworn before Notary GANGARAJU.B.N, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SHRIYA SHIRAHATTI, D/o. Sudheendra Shirahatti, aged about 20 years, residing at 6106, Anriya Dwelling Apartments, No.1, 1st Main, Lotteghallahalli, Dollars Colony, RMV Extension 2nd Stage, Bengaluru -560 094, have changed my name from SHRIYA SUDHEENDRA SHIRAHATTI to SHRIYA SHIRAHATTI, vide affidavit dated 15/12/2023 sworn to before Anitha Bai advocate and notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Ramanjanamma A, D/o. Anjanappa B, Aged about 49 years, R/at No. 1077, 22nd Main, 24th Cross, A Block, Sahakarnagar, Bangalore - 560 092, do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter's name from DHARANI to DHARANI .R vide affidavit dated 22.12.2023 sworn to before L.B. Anasuyamma, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, MEGNA NATARAJAN, daughter of Late V.R.Natarajan, Rank: CH ART, Service Number 190795, Resident of B-220, Mahaveer Marvel Apartment Kodichikkanahalli, Bangalore-560076, have changed my name from MEGNA NATARAJAN to MEGHNA NATARAJAN vide Affidavit dated 15.12.2023 sworn before advocate and notary public Mohammed Hussain K, Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME

I, LATHA M V, W/o H S Radhakrishna R/at No.12, Punarvasu, 10th Cross Nanjappa Layout, Vidyanagarapura Bangalore - 560097, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from LATHA RADHAKRISHNA to LATHA M V. Henceforth, I shall be known and called as LATHA M V only, vide affidavit dated 27.12.2023, sworn before advocate and notary K C Permaiah, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, NAZMA, Aged about 39 years, Residing at No-295, Razak Sab Palya, Bagalur, Bagalur Post, Bangalore North, Bengaluru - 562 149, have changed my Name to SHAHINA, vide affidavit dated:19.12.2023 before Notary H. SRIDHAR RAO, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) R. CHINNAPIYAN Father of NO. 15329929A HAV SRINIVASAN C, Residing at House NO 2/68, Manavalli (VIII), Tirupattur (TK), Nariyaneri (Post), Vellore (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 635901, Have Changed My Name to (NEW NAME) CHINNAPIYAN RAJAGOUNDAR, Vide Affidavit Dated 26.12.2023 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, ARBIN AFSHAN FARAZ, R/at, No. 133/1, Seppings Road, Coles Park, Shivajinagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore, Karnataka-560001 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from P ARBIN AFSHAN to ARBIN AFSHAN FARAZ, henceforth I shall be known and called as ARBIN AFSHAN FARAZ only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 26/12/2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary K.V. MANI, at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, S. HEKAR NEKKUNDI RAMAKRISHNA REDDY, residing at #828, 2nd Cross, 2nd Phase, Ferns Paradise, Doddanekkundi, Marathahalli, Bengaluru 560037, have changed the name of my minor son from HARSHA VARDHAN SHEKAR @ HARSHA VARDHANA to HARSHA VARDHANA vide Affidavit Dated: 27/12/2023 sworn before Notary B.V.NAGABHUSHANA, Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME

I, ABHINAV RAJEEV KUMAR, S/o. Rajeev Kumar, Residing at House No. 442, Gurunivas, 2nd Main 9th Block, BDA Layout, Nagarbhavi 2nd Stage, Bangalore North, Bangalore, Karnataka -560 072, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from ABHINAV KUMAR CHIMMANAKATTI RAJEEV KUMAR to ABHINAV RAJEEV KUMAR vide affidavit dated 26.12.2023 sworn to before K.C. Shashikala, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) ANAND KIRAGADALU RUPAPPA Residing at No.9,Ground Floor, Rose Bay Layout, Srinivasapura Bagalur Main Road, Near Country Club, Bagalur, Bengaluru-562149, have changed my name from (OLD NAME) ANAND KIRAGADALU RUPAPPA to (NEW NAME) ANAND KIRAGADALU RUDRAPPA vide affidavit dated 27.12.2023 sworn before the Notary K.C.Shashikala Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, NITESH MILLAN, S/o.George Vergeese, Residing at No.404, 6th Block, 2nd Stage, 9th Main, 10th Cross, Opp. Passport Office, Rajendranagar, Koramangala, Bangalore-560047, have changed my name to G.NITESH MILLAN vide Affidavit dated 06.12.2023 sworn before advocate and notary public K.V. Mani, Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Manjiri Joshi w/o Dhananjaya Venkatrao Joshi, residing at No 33, Tranquil Apartments, 7th Main, 8th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bangalore (North) Bangalore 560003, do hereby state that I have changed my name from Manjiri Dhananjaya Joshi to Manjiri Joshi vide Affidavit dated 26th December 2023 at Bangalore before Advocate & Notary Kundan Babu M.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, JAYAKUMARI KOKERI GOPALAKRISHNA, residing at #136, 1st Cross, RK Gardens, New BEL Road, Mathikere, Bengaluru 560054, have changed my name to JAYA RAMESH RAO, vide Affidavit dated: 27/12/2023, sworn before Notary S.I.BALAGURU, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) SULOCHANA, Mother of NO. 15329929A HAV SRINIVASAN C, Residing at House NO 2/68, Manavalli (VIII), Tirupattur (TK), Nariyaneri (Post), Vellore (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 635901, Have Changed My Name to (NEW NAME) SULOCHANA CHINNAPIYAN, Vide Affidavit Dated 26.12.2023 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

AFFIDAVIT

I, SONALI HIREMATH, Aged about 51 years, D/o Col. R.B. Hiremath, R/at, No. 8112, Sobha Forest View, Vajarahalli, Thalaghattapura, 100 Feet Road, Bangalore, Karnataka-5600109, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from SONALI RAVINDRANATH HIREMATH to SONALI HIREMATH, henceforth I shall be known and called as SONALI HIREMATH only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 16/12/2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary G.R. RAJANNA, at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, NAVEEN KUMAR. K.C., S/o Chandrappa. K.R., aged about 40 years, R/at, No. 204, 2nd Floor, 8th Cross, Near Railway Gate, TCP Layout, Bengaluru-560073, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from NAGARAJ. K.C to NAVEEN KUMAR. K.C henceforth he shall be known and called as NAVEEN KUMAR. K.C only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 20/12/2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary PRAKASHA. C, at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, RANJEETH KUMAR, Aged about 42 years, S/o. Mr. N.C. Subramani, R/o. 1014/C, 17th D Cross, 2nd Stage, Indiranagar, Bengaluru - 560 038, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from RANJEETH KUMAR to RANJEETH KUMAR SUBRAMANI vide affidavit dated 27.12.2023 sworn to before G. Dayananda, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Mr. Abhijit Kumar, aged about 41 years, S/o. Pramod Kumar, residing at 101, Trinity Meadows 76, Bellandur, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560103, have changed my son's name from ATHARVA to ATHARVA KUMAR Vide Affidavit dated 26.12.2023 sworn before advocate and notary, B. M. Chandrashekar, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SADDAM ALI, S/o. AHSAN ALI, No. 605/1, 2, 4th Floor, 4th Main, 3rd Cross, Billekahalli, Bangalore-560076, have changed my name to SAM SALMANI vide Affidavit dated 06.12.2023 sworn before advocate and notary public C.N. Balasubramanyam, Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SHARALA VELAYUTHAM (old name), R/o H.No.5, 5th Main, Doddabommassandra, Deshbhandhu Nagar, Bangalore North, Bengaluru - 560097 have changed my name as SARALA VELAYUTHAM (new name) vide affidavit dated 30-11-2023 sworn before Notary Bhavani Rao S.

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'MY FILMS WHICH ARE LABELLED MASS, HAVE UNDERLYING LAYERS'

...says Challenging Star Darshan as he talks at length about *Kaatera*, its portrayal of real-life incidents involving farmers and collaborating with Tharun Kishore Sudhir

A SHARADHAA

KANNADA cinema fans are in for major celebrations this year's end as Darshan's *Kaatera* is gearing up to shatter box office records with massive advanced bookings.

Box office triumphs have been a regular occurrence in the actor's career. Darshan, widely known as the man of the masses, has subtly emerged as the voice of the 'unspoken, unsung, and unhonoured,' highlighting overlooked social issues within the public sphere through his entertainers. His previous films like *Ya-Jamana* and *Kranti* focussed on the oil mafia and educational issues, respectively standing as a testament to his social consciousness.

His upcoming venture, *Kaatera*, centered around farmers, sees director Tharun Kishore Sudhir presenting Darshan in a unique role, veering away from the typical commercial formulas.

"Even though *Robert* was a commercial film, it carried an underlying story about becoming a father to an unrelated child. The narrative of *Kaatera* was something Tharun Sudhir conceived during the lockdown. For me, it all hinges on the directors I collaborate with and the stories they bring to the table. As an actor, I aim to do justice to the role. I don't like drawing a line between 'Mass' and 'Class.' I believe it's all about entertainment. While my films are categorised as 'mass,' I still sense an underlying substance in each of them. My films are more than just mass entertainers," he asserts.

Interestingly, Darshan got the title *Kaatera*, and he's delighted to share that 'Kaatera-ma,' after whom the title is named, is a revered deity in their family. The actor calls director Tharun's debut film *Chowka*, (which featured him

in a key role) 'content-rich yet entertaining'.

It's worth noting that in some of Darshan's recent films, including *Kaatera* he is representing the neglected public, shedding light on their social issues. In *Kaatera*, he highlights the plight of farmers, emphasising it's as a nationwide concern.

"The film is based on a real-life incident and underlines the 1974 land reform act enacted during Devaraj Urs's tenure as Minister, supported by the then Prime Minister. It stipulated that those who cultivate the land will rightfully own it. It's uncommon for a mass hero to delve into such real-life narratives. As the face of the film, even the lines spoken by him carry significant weight," Darshan explains. "In such cases, I conduct my fact checks and have in-depth discussions with the director."

His aged appearance in the film has particularly kindled the curiosity among the audience. "Usually, in every film of mine, there's a grand introduction song. But in *Kaatera*, I get a different introduction, something unprecedented in my 55-film-old career," he shares. Though the entire crew has lauded his performance post the test screenings, Darshan remains tight-lipped, about it. "Let the audience anticipate whatever they want. But I can say with confidence that they're in for a surprise."

During our interaction, I brought up the first poster of the movie, depicting a large group of sheep and a dog up front, with a powerful line, "Those in the past pave the way forward." When I questioned his reaction to the animal-centric poster, he explained, "It symbolised the beginning of our storytelling. That line and poster represent the leader and the supporters behind me, while the sheep depict the farmers."

About working with director Tharun Kishore Sudhir multiple times, he says, "I consider him as



Darshan

a brother, whom I know over the past 30 years. Professionally, when it comes to making *Kaatera*, he took on the responsibility of convincing me, the producer Rockline Venkatesh, and the audience about the story. I believe in Tharun Sudhir, and he hasn't let my faith in him down. Every time he approaches me, I give a green signal in just one sitting," says Darshan as he gives credit to the technicians and particularly highlights dialogue writer Maasthi. "This story represents our land and culture, blending well to a commercial formula. I even met someone to learn the slang of the region. Tharun spearheaded all this and he made it happen."

Kaatera features yesteryear actors like Vinod Alva, Kumar Govind, and Padma Vasanthi instilling golden memories of Kannada cinema. Interestingly, actors Shruthi, Vijayanath Biradar, and Rohith PV among others are also part of the cast.

"An actor doesn't retire until they're in the grave. Even during inactive phases, those who consider themselves artists never truly retire. Working with these actors was a fantastic experience. There were times when I wanted to fit into Biradar's character; I envied how he portrayed it. Everyone has their own space in *Kaatera*," shares Darshan.

Speaking of debutante Aradhana, he highlights her preparation and determination for the role, following the footsteps of her mother Malashree. "She's all set to establish herself as a good actor. She's well-trained and ready to have a long run in cinema," he says.

When speaking about *Kaatera*'s focus on farmers, Darshan emphasises his commitment to making it a pure Kannada cinema, despite the subject's universal nature. "Each region's farmers have unique cultures and even vary in their attire. It's best to represent them in their language, rooted in their land's culture. Similar land issues surface in Bihar, but narrating this story there demands authenticity for that land and its farmers. Real-life incidents, especially a subject like this, are best conveyed in the native language," shares Darshan.

Expressing his deep opinion about Pan-India films, the superstar states, "Creating films in multiple languages demands ample time and patience, which I don't have. My aim is to contribute two Kannada films per year to our industry," he concludes.

Kaatera celebration begins with over 1000 shows across Karnataka

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THE release of a film starring Challenging Star Darshan feels like a celebration, and fans are eagerly awaiting *Kaatera*, set to debut on midnight of December 29, marking the biggest opening in Karnataka. People are set flock to theatres running *Kaatera*, starting to attend midnight shows followed by 5 am screenings. Each single theatre will host around 6 to 7 shows over the weekend. Theatre owners are expressing their happiness with sold-out shows, even before the release date. There's a significant demand to showcase *Kaatera* in every district of Karnataka, as shared by Rockline Venkatesh, who emphasised the peak of this film's demand.

Kaatera is slated for release in over 550 screens, spanning single theatres and multiplexes. The expected number of screenings might increase owing to high demand. "We're anticipating over 1000 shows across the state for *Kaatera*," the producer mentioned. "The return of this kind of celebration for a Kannada film like *Kaatera* is heartening. I believe it's a result of the collective effort by the actor, director, and the entire team," he added.

Rockline Venkatesh also revealed that *Kaatera* is the first Kannada film to have 1000 rupee tickets at Rockline Mall, sold out within just 1 hour. "Initially, there was uncertainty about ticket sales at this price for a Kannada film. But I felt it would be disrespectful to even consider such doubts for a Kannada cinema. Therefore, we set the ticket price at ₹ 1000, and now all shows are fully booked."

He stressed the importance of Kannada stars working on at least two films per year to sustain the celebration of Kannada cinema. He also expressed concern over other language films dubbed and released in Kannada. "Original Kannada productions might vanish from the industry. Reviving the celebration of Kannada cinema relies on Kannada stars, who need to create and promote more Kannada films."



Rockline venkatesh

Varun Dhawan wraps up Kerala schedule of VD 18

CE FEATURES

ACTOR Varun Dhawan on Wednesday announced the Kerala schedule wrap of his upcoming action film *VD 18*. Taking to Instagram, Varun shared a couple of pictures which he captioned, "Thank u Kerala. Sched wrap."

In the pictures, the Badlapur actor could be seen facing his back at the camera and standing near a lake. He wore a T-shirt, black shorts, and slippers. Recently, the October actor suffered a leg injury. He posted a picture of his swollen leg on his Instagram stories. The film tentatively titled 'VD18' is directed by Kalees and produced by Atlee and Murad Khetani. The film also stars Keerthy Suresh and Wamiqa Gabbi.

Excited about the project, Wamiqa said in a statement: "Being a part of VD18 is a thrilling experience for me. Collaborating with exceptional talents like Varun Dhawan and Keerthy Suresh under Atlee sir's visionary direction is a creative journey I'm eager to explore. I have been and will always be eternally grateful to 2023, the year that plunged things to new beginnings."



Team Friday at the muhurat



Shruthi Prakash, Madhusudan Govind team up for Kannada-Hindi bilingual Friday

CE FEATURES

THE directorial duo behind *Hosa Dinachari*, Keerthi Shekhar and Vyshak Pushpalatha, returns to helm a film named *FRIDAY*. The film, which was launched today with a muhurat will be headlined by *Bigg Boss* contestant and actor Shruti Prakash along with Madhusudan Govind (*Made in Bengaluru*). The film features Gopal Krishna Deshpande in a pivotal role.

FRIDAY marks the fourth venture of Mirtyunjay Shukla and Alok Chaurasia Dees Films, in association with a London-based production house Shoolin Media.

With two directors penning the

story, they have billed the film as a suspense thriller revolving around a couple who go out to catch the premiere on a Friday and are faced an unforeseen event that changed their lives, mirroring the film's storyline.

Friday, a Kannada-Hindi bilingual, will have music composed by Ashwin Hemant, while Sandeep Valluri handles the cinematography. The makers are planning to begin shooting in January.



Madhusudan Govind and Shruti Prakash

SHRAVANI SUBRAMANYA SEQUEL IS IN THE MAKING

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GANESH and Amulya starrer *Shravani Subramanya*, directed by Manju Swaraj released on December 27, 2013, and the tenth year anniversary was celebrated yesterday. The makers shared their gratitude to all the artists and technicians who contributed to completing the film. This romantic drama, also featuring Anant Nag and Sadhu Kokila, was well-received by audiences. People loved the hit *Jodi* of Ganesh and Amulya, especially after their successful film *Cheluvina Chittara*.

To mark this special occasion, the makers have announced a sequel titled *Once More Shravani Subramanya*. KA Suresh, the producer bankrolling the project under the Suresh Arts banner,



A still from the film

made the announcement. The team is now looking to cast new faces and is inviting young talents to audition for roles in the film.

Twisters spin-off is completely an original story: Glen Powell

CE FEATURES

WE had earlier reported that *Twisters*, a sequel to the 1995 film *Twister* is in the works with Daisy Edgar-Jones, Glen Powell, Anthony Ramos, Brandon Perea, and Daryl McCormack, among others, as part of the cast. Recently Powell said that the upcoming spin-off of the hit film is a completely original story. Backed by Warner Bros Pictures, Frank Marshall, and Pat

Crowley, *Twisters* is directed by Lee Isaac Chung.

In a recent interview, Powell spoke about wrapping up filming for the *Twisters* sequel, while also assuring that this spin-off is not a reboot. "It's definitely not a reboot. We're not trying to recreate the story from the first one. It's a completely original story. There are no characters from the original movie back, so it's not really a continuation." The original *Twister* revolved around storm chasers as they ran after the most powerful tornados. The film starred Helen Hunt, Bill Paxton, Carey Elwes and Philip Seymour Hoffman, among others. The 1996 film received multiple Oscar nominations in the visual effects and sound categories.

